



HIV Corrections Fellowship

A Comprehensive HIV Specialist Training Program
Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center
University of Southern California, Keck School of Medicine

Application requirements

- Curriculum Vitae
- Personal Statement regarding your interest in this program
- 3 Letters of Recommendation

Pressing Need

The health of the correctional population is generally poorer than that of the general population. Between 1999-2006, AIDS among prison populations was 2.7-4.8 times higher than the general U.S. population. Approximately one quarter of all HIV-positive persons and one third of all Hepatitis C-positive persons pass through the correctional system each year. Most incarcerated individuals come from and return to medically underserved communities. While the general U.S. population faces a critical shortage of skilled HIV providers, incarcerated persons with HIV face an even greater need.

The Program

The HIV Corrections Fellowship is a 12-month, post-graduate, advanced program in HIV medicine. Founded by an exceptional collaboration between the USC Pacific AIDS Education & Training Center, the Keck School of Medicine of USC and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, this program offers expansive exposure to HIV pathology and other infectious diseases. Every year, one physician is comprehensively trained in HIV primary and specialty care - from treatment of common co-morbidities in the setting of immune compromise (e.g. Diabetes mellitus and HIV) to management of multi-drug resistant virus and opportunistic infections. The Fellow will manage patients at all stages of disease at the Infectious Disease clinics of LAC+USC Medical Center and the Los Angeles County Jail.

Selection Criterion

The candidate must demonstrate the following:

- Successful completion of an ACGME accredited residency program
- Active MD of DO license
- Board certification or eligibility in Family, Internal or Emergency Medicine or Sub-specialty of Internal Medicine
 - Exception may be considered for board eligible physicians if exam date is set for upcoming year
- Strong interest in a career in HIV Medicine
- Interest in working with underserved and vulnerable populations
- Interest in educating other medical professionals in the prevention, diagnosis and identification of HIV positive patients

Fellowship Expectations

At the completion of a 12 month intensive training program, the Fellow will:

- Successfully pass the AAHIVM credentialing exam for specialty certification in HIV Medicine
- Function independently as a qualified HIV Specialist in a community or correctional medical setting

Clinical Rotations

The Fellow will receive training in:

- HIV Specialty Training
- Colorectal & High Resolution Anoscopy
- Communicable & Infectious Diseases
- Dermatology
- Drug Optimization
- Hematology/Oncology
- Hepatology (Viral Hepatitis)
- HIV Primary Care – longitudinal throughout the year
- Inpatient ID Consult Service
- Psychiatry
- Pulmonary Medicine
- Neurology
- Ophthalmology
- OB/GYN

Fellowship Opportunities

This is your opportunity to play a critical role for populations in tremendous need of care.

- Work closely with well-recognized USC faculty on diverse Specialty rotations
- Junior faculty position with the Keck School of Medicine of USC
- Active participation in research and program development with USC, the USC PAETC and/or the Los Angeles Sheriff's Dept
- Leadership role in local and national presentations
- Training medical students and resident physician through PAETC educational programs
- Unique position to impact the highest risk HIV-positive persons and improve the health systems of key underserved community and correctional facilities of Los Angeles

Timeline

Applications accepted: June 1 - December 31
Interview period: January - February
Fellow Selection: March
Fellowship start date: August 1

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