

Family Medicine Residency Program - Founded 2013

Thank you for your interest in the Shasta Community Health Center Family Medicine Residency Program. Our program has four residents in each class. All three years of continuity clinic are at the Shasta Community Health Center (SCHC). The SCHC Family Medicine Residency works closely with the Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency Program, sharing inpatient services, call, and resident didactics. We are affiliated with the University of California, Davis Family Medicine Residency Network, and the COMET partnership with UC Davis and OSHU medical schools.

Intern Positions:

In order to ensure the best interview date, please submit all application materials through ERAS no later than December 1, 2025. After this date, applications will be individually reviewed for consideration, no other application will be accepted for an intern positions.. All applications are holistically reviewed. Shasta Community Health Center Family Medicine Residency Program will have four PGY-1 positions available July 2026.

International Medical Graduates:

To be considered, applicants must graduate from a medical school that meets the educational requirements of the Medical Board of California and is listed on the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME) and the Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education (FAIMER) and Research World Directory of Medical Schools joint directory or the World Directory of Medical Schools. For more information on requirements from the Medical Board of California, please access their website at <http://www.mbc.ca.gov>.

Frequently asked questions:

1. *What are your minimum score requirements?*

There are no minimum score requirements, but scores are used to prioritize invitations to interview. Each application is reviewed in full. **Applicants with more than one examination failure on the USMLE or COMLEX are excluded from the applicant pool.** A passing Step 2 or Level 2 examination score is required to be ranked by our program.

2. *Do you accept IMGs in your program?*

Yes.

3. *Is preference given to Green Card holders?*

No preference is given to anyone for any reason. All applications are holistically reviewed.

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4. *Is US experience mandatory for the program?*

Yes, US experience including hands-on patient care, writing notes, developing treatment plans, and writing orders is required in hospital based and outpatient settings. Observation alone does not meet these criteria. Experience in family medicine or another primary care field is encouraged. Applicants must have recent letter of reference from a physician supervisor in the U.S. documenting clinical performance and level of care. These references should include documentation of experience in hands-on patient care and responsibility for writing notes, developing treatment plans, and writing orders. Applications without clear documentation of this experience will not be accepted.

5. *Does the program sponsor Visas?*

No.

6. *Does your program accept DOs?*

Yes, our program accepts osteopathic physicians. In addition, we have core and community osteopathic faculty members.

7. *Are both the USMLE and COMLEX needed for DO students?*

No. One or the other is acceptable.

8. *Where can I get a listing of where your residents attended medical school?*

Please take a look at the Shasta Community Health Center Residency Program's website (<https://www.shastahealth.org/family-medicine-residency>) for information pertaining to the current residents and graduates.

9. *When does your program conduct interviews?*

The interview season runs from October through January. Please look at our website for the most current information.

10. *How many years after graduation from medical school do you still consider applicants for an interview?*

For the 2026 incoming class, applicants must have graduated from medical school after May 2022. For applicants who have not graduated in the past year, significant clinical experience since graduation must be documented along with written letters of reference. Applicants must have recent (the past year) US clinical experience to be considered for an interview.

11. *Does your program offer observerships?*



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No. All students who participate in rotations at our institution must be currently enrolled in a LCME or AOA accredited school.

Please look at the following websites to get detailed information on our residency programs:

Shasta Community Health Center FM Residency: <https://www.shastahealth.org/family-medicine-residency>

Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency: <http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/fpnetwork/redding/>

UC Davis Family Medicine Residency Network: <http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/fpnetwork/index.html>