



Thank you for your interest in the Shasta Community Health Center Family Medicine Residency Program. Our program has two 1st year, two 2nd year, and two 3<sup>rd</sup> year residents in July, 2016. All three years of continuity clinic will be spent at the Shasta Community Health Center (SCHC) clinics. The SCHC Family Medicine Residency will work closely with the Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency Program, rotating on inpatient services, sharing call, and coordinating lectures. Our interview days are coordinated to allow you to interview with both programs.

### **Intern Positions:**

We will follow a similar interview process to the Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency Program. In order to ensure the best interview date, please submit all application materials no later than December 1, 2016. After this date, applications will be individually reviewed for consideration. **You will need to submit an ERAS application to each program you are interested in.** All applications are screened based on merit. We will only accept applications received through ERAS - the Electronic Residency Application Service. No other application will be accepted for intern positions. For more information on obtaining an application, please contact your Dean's office. International medical students should contact the ECFMG. The Shasta Community Health Center Family Medicine Residency Program will have two PGY-1 positions available for July, 2017.

### **International Medical Graduates:**

Applicants must have a current ECFMG certificate and a Post Graduate Training Authorization Letter (PTAL) from the Medical Board of California by rank day to be considered for the match. Keep in mind that it can take up to 100 days for the California Medical Board to process your documents once they have all been submitted. Due to processing time, we will not consider interviewing international graduates who graduate after November 15, 2016. Applicants must also provide a receipt of application from the Medical Board of California before we will consider interviews. For further information, please contact the Medical Board of California (916) 263-2499 or visit their website <http://www.medbd.ca.gov/> for all other inquiries, please call (800) 792-9064 or e-mail [residency.application@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu](mailto:residency.application@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu)

Please note: If you are an international medical graduate with more than 36 months of post graduate training in the USA (24 months for US Medical Graduates), you must have a California Medical License to start residency training in California.

### ***Frequently asked questions:***

1. What are your minimum score requirements?

There are no minimum score requirements. Each application is reviewed in full. Applicants with more than one examination failure on the USMLE or COMLEX are excluded from the applicant pool.

2. Do you accept IMGs in your program?

Yes.

3. Are there IMG's working the SCHC Residency Program?

Yes.

4. Are there IMGs working in the Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency program?

Yes.

5. Is preference given to Green Card holders?

No preference is given to anyone for any reason. All applications are screened based on merit.

6. 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 practice 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.

7. Does the program sponsor Visas?

No.

8. Does your program accept DOs?

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

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

No. One or the other is acceptable.

10. 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 (<http://www.shastahealth.org/schc-family-medicine-residency-center>) for information pertaining to the current residents. SCHC has been a training track in the past, affiliated with the Mercy Redding FPRP and we have two graduates of this track who still work at SCHC.

11. When does your program conduct interviews?

The interview season runs from November through January. Please take a look at our website for the most current information. We will coordinate our interview dates with the Mercy Redding Family Practice Residency Program which schedules their interviews through the UCD network in Sacramento.

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

For the 2017-2018 incoming class, applicants must have graduated from medical school after May, 2014. 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.

13. Does your program offer observerships?

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