

USU Family Medicine Third-Year Clerkship Manual

Preliminary Site Orientation

Eglin AFB

Family Medicine Clerkship at Eglin AFB Hospital



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CLERKSHIP OVERVIEW

The Family Medicine clerkship offers a broad exposure to the specialty of Family Medicine. Third and fourth year medical students spend the majority of their time seeing patients in the family medicine clinic with staff physicians and residents. They participate with a family medicine preceptor in a sports medicine clinic, a morning of nursing home rounds, and occasionally in an osteopathic manipulation clinic. They participate in Family Medicine procedure clinics including colonoscopy and esophagogastroduodenoscopy (EGD), colposcopy, vasectomy, minor procedures, and treadmill tests. Highlights also include working closely with fellowship trained family medicine staff in Obstetrics and Sports Medicine. They also spend some time on labor and delivery and inpatient medicine.

Eglin AFB hospital is the site of one of the five existing Air Force Family Medicine residency programs. It is also the site of one of the three existing USUHS Air Force 3rd year Family Medicine clerkships. Family Medicine is the only residency program at this hospital and it is one of the three oldest Family Medicine Residencies in the United States. For more details about this residency program, see the USUHS website at usuhs.mil or our website at www.eglin.af.mil/units/residency/index.asp.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is/are my points of contact when I arrive? Where and when do I report on my first day?

On your first day, show up at 0700 at the Residency Coordinator's desk (Ms. Jayne Pendergast) or alternatively the front desk of the clinic. They can put you in contact with the undergraduate coordinator (Dr Jeff Schievenin) or another staff member/resident who can escort you to the 0715 morning report.

What uniform do I need to bring? Will I need my white coat?

Uniform of the day is nearly always BDUs, with the exception of Mondays when you will be required to wear your Class B uniform. You will also need your class B uniform to wear on the last Friday of the month. Bring your branch specific PT gear for unit PT on Tuesday and Thursday Mornings from 7-9 am. The white coat is optional in clinic but encouraged on call and on the inpatient wards. Interviews are conducted in full Service Dress, and we encourage students who are interviewing to give a copy of their CV and a personal statement to Jayne Pendergast at least 3 days prior to the scheduled interview.

Weekly schedule (including Call/weekends)

The students attend didactic lectures on most days during morning report and noon conference. Students will usually take call once during their inpatient week. Morning reports are from 0715-0800 Monday, Wednesday and Friday (Tuesday and Thursday the clinic does PT). Morning clinics are from 0800-1150. Noon lectures are from 1200-1300. Afternoon clinic is from 1300-1630.

Lodging information

Students usually stay in billeting which is conveniently located right next to the hospital. The hospital has a pretty good dining facility open for breakfast and lunch on weekdays only. Starbucks is located down the hall from the clinic. The Base Exchange and Commissary are approximately 2 miles from the hospital. We recommend that you have a car for this rotation as you will want to go to the beach or out to eat. There is no shuttle service on Eglin AFB. Please identify yourself as a USUHS student as billeting has 3 rooms reserved at the Riptide Inn for USUHS students

Billeting/TLF at Eglin AFB

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Additional Important Contact Information

Important phone numbers/e-mail addresses for students rotating in Family Medicine at Eglin AFB include:

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Local Attractions

Eglin AFB is located on the beautiful "Emerald Coast" of Florida, which is famous for its emerald waters and "sugary" white beaches. The base is located 6 miles north of Fort Walton Beach. The primary mission of the base is to develop, test, and initially acquire all conventional munitions for the Air Force's tactical and strategic forces. Eglin, with a total size of 728 square miles, is the largest air base in the free world. It includes 8 airfields, 16 instrumented test sites, and several offshore test areas. Additional information on the Eglin area can be obtained by visiting the Eglin AFB website at www.eglin.af.mil/units/residency/index.asp



