

USU Family Medicine Third-Year Clerkship Manual

Preliminary Site Orientation

Ft Gordon (EAMC)

**Eisenhower AMC, Family Medicine Residency
Ft. Gordon, GA**



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CLERKSHIP OVERVIEW

THE ROTATION

Welcome to the Eisenhower Army Medical Center Family Medicine Residency! We are pleased to have the opportunity to get to know you!

Student physicians will see a broad range of patients with their staff and resident preceptors. Students will have the opportunity to participate in, and direct, the healthcare of children, adults, the elderly, and the pregnant. In addition to ambulatory clinics, students will serve as a member of the inpatient team and participate in a variety of procedure clinics (coloscopies, minor surgeries, exercise treadmill testing, and vasectomies) and sports medicine clinics. Students take call one night a week with the inpatient team.

Formal didactic sessions will include daily morning reports and after clinic conferences as well as a weekly the residency lecture session. Informal training will occur with staff and resident preceptors.

THE SITE

Eisenhower AMC is located on Ft. Gordon, GA, home of the Army Signal Corps. It is just west of Augusta, GA, site of the Masters Golf tournament each April. It is a 470-bed facility that serves as the referral center for the Southeast Regional Medical Command (SERMC). The Family Medicine Clinic (FMC) provides outpatient care to active duty soldiers, their dependents, and retiree beneficiaries. More than 100,000 patient visits occur in the FPC each year. Summers are often hot and quite humid, while the rest of the year enjoys a temperate climate.

FAQ:

Who are my points of contact when I arrive?

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DDEAMC POC – Ms Kelly Jones, Office of Medical Education (11th Floor)

Where and when do I report on my first day?

All students rotating through Eisenhower for a Family medicine rotation should report to Morning Report in the Family Medicine Clinic Conference Room at 0730 on the day of their arrival. Following Morning Report, Dr. Szczepanik (or her surrogate) will meet new students and arrange for an orientation to the rotation and the Family Medicine Department. You will also spend the morning in-processing in the hospital (Provost Marshal, Medical Library, Infection Control, etc) starting at the GME office on the 11th Floor.

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

You may wear Class B's or ACUs-your preference. White coat is not necessary.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE (INCLUDING CALL/WEEKENDS)

DAILY SCHEDULE - Posted on Student Room door by 0730 each Monday. Schedule will include ½ day clinics with various preceptors, procedural clinics, and lectures. (Afternoon clinic starts at 1245 except Thursday [clinic starts at 1340]).

FMED/INPATIENT-Each student will do one week (Sun-Fri) on our inpatient service. You will start at 0800 on Sunday am in Family Medicine Conference room, and are expected to take night call during the week. *What you put into this week is what you'll get out of it. Do not expect spoon-fed learning.*

CALL SCHEDULE - USUHS and HPSP will do call while on inpatient only (see above).

MORNING REPORT - M,T,W,F - 0730 Family medicine Conference Room. BE ON TIME! Participate!

DIDACTIC INSTRUCTION - Thursday am from 0700 - 1200 is the weekly residency academic time. Schedule of upcoming topics is posted in hallway. Read ahead of time to better prepare yourself and enhance learning.

AFTER CLINIC CONFERENCE - M, T, W, Th - 1630-1700 in the Family Medicine Conference Room. You will be expected to present a case based on your clinical experiences for the day.

OTHER ROTATION REQUIREMENTS

CLINIC EVALS - All students should provide the appropriate evaluation form to preceptors after clinic session. USUHS 3rd Years have their own form; all others use the standard evaluation form (both found in the student room). This is the primary source of my information for your final evaluation, so the more of these I receive, the more accurately my final evaluation will reflect your performance. Give one to the inpatient staff and residents while on the inpatient service.

FAMILY STUDY/HOME VISIT – Required during the third year clerkship. Please refer to the USUHS clerkship manual for the requisite components in completing this report. Patients will be identified for you in advance to maximize your learning. We ask that you take this assignment very seriously as our patients are opening their homes to you and your reports are used to help plan patient care. Submit 2 copies at end of rotation (one to me, and one to the patient's PCM).

LOG BOOK/PASSPORT - All 3rd Year students must complete. Please be as thorough as possible. Notify Dr. Szczepanik at the mid- point if you are having trouble completing your requirements. Use this documentation process to reinforce attention to preventive health maintenance. Submit at middle and end of rotation.

CLINIC EXPECTATIONS

- Introduce yourself to your preceptor. Let him/her know of any specific learning goals you have (hint: you should have learning goals for each day in clinic)
- Introduce yourself to the patient - "Good morning, I'm Student-Doctor Smith working with Dr. Jones today."
- Take and document a directed but appropriately thorough history and physical exam.
- Look up medications, lab results, and radiology results as appropriate.
- Generate a differential diagnosis list (include –most likely|| –most deadly|| and 3 things in-betweenand form an assessment based on the above.
- Present the case briefly but thoroughly to the preceptor (3 minutes or less) following the SOAP format.
- Formulate a treatment plan based on the assessment.
- Write accurate, legible and complete SOAP note based on above. Make sure you include additional information from preceptor's interaction with you and the patient. Remember patient education and preventive strategies when appropriate.
- Update your logbook.
- Give preceptor an evaluation sheet after the clinic. Ask for feedback before you conclude the day.

GOING THE EXTRA MILE

- Give a morning report case presentation. Seek guidance from FMED residents in organizing the presentation.
- Present a case to After Clinic Conference.
- Actively participate in morning report discussions, Journal Club, lectures, ULTIMATE FRISBEE, etc.

LODGING INFORMATION

Most students are lodged at the BOQ, Griffith Hall. It is a 5-minute walk from the hospital/clinic. You can make arrangements for the BOQ by contacting Ms. Caren Ernsperger in the GME office at 706.787.1648 (DSN 773-1648) at least 2 weeks prior to arrival. She should give you a lodging confirmation number. If you bring a POV, you will need to register it with Fort Gordon with a valid driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. If the vehicle isn't registered in your name, then you will need power of attorney or a signed, notarized letter from the owner authorizing their permission for you to operate the vehicle at Fort Gordon.

DIRECTIONS/MAPS

Ft. Gordon is most easily accessed off of I-20. Take I-520, the Bobby Jones Expressway, to the Gordon Highway exit (Exit 3A) and head west. Go approximately 3 miles to Gate 1 and turn left onto the Post. From there, follow the signs to Eisenhower or the BOQ.

ADDITIONAL TIPS

- Have your housing arranged prior to your arrival. Please contact GME coordinator ASAP if you are having trouble arranging housing.
- Though on-post housing is convenient, bring a car if at all possible.
- Getting onto post in the mornings can take a while at Gate 1. 100% ID check is in effect. Please plan accordingly if you are arriving from off-post. Do not attempt to enter through Gates 2 or 5. You will have time to get your vehicle registered at Darling Hall during your first day-bring registration in your name (or POA to use vehicle if in another's name).
- DO NOT TALK ON CELL PHONE WHILE DRIVING ON POST. Post starts at the light at Gate 1.
- On-post activities include exercise facilities (gyms, pool, etc.), bowling alley, movie theater, golf course, sportman's club, and many lakes for fishing.
- Atlanta, Charleston, SC, Savannah, GA, Asheville, NC (mountains) is all within 3 hours. If interested, plan on weekend trips to any of these popular destinations. If you are going outside 250 miles from Ft Gordon, you must submit a mileage pass AT LEAST 2 weeks in advance (local policy). Leave is finalized through Dr Servey at USUHS.
- **You're going to love it here-expect to work hard and have a good time!**

APPLYING TO RESIDENCY

Please let me know if you wish to interview for our residency. You will need to provide a copy of your CV and Personal Statement prior to your interview date if possible.