



# Internal Medicine Residency Program

## Program Overview

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We are an academic, university-based program with a focus on patient care, scholarship, and resident well-being.

## **Categorical Internal Medicine Program**

- 18 Residents per year

## **Combined Internal Medicine/Pediatrics Program**

- 2-3 Residents per year

## **Preliminary Internal Medicine Program**

- 6 Preliminary Interns per year
- 5 Additional Categorical Neurology Interns per year

# Fellowships

We offer six ACGME-accredited fellowships.

**Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship**

**Gastroenterology Fellowship**

**Hematology and Medical Oncology Fellowship**

**Infectious Disease Fellowship**

**Interventional Cardiology Fellowship**

**Pulmonary/Critical Care Fellowship**

# Residency Program Structure

## 4+2 Block System

### Typical Intern Schedule

- 20 weeks – Inpatient Wards
- 4 weeks – Emergency Medicine
- 4 weeks – Night Float (two 2-week blocks)
- 12 weeks – Ambulatory (Primary care continuity clinic sessions and other ambulatory care experiences such as clinic sessions with dermatology, sickle cell, gastroenterology, oncology, etc.) Includes longitudinal experience in neurology.
- 4 weeks – Critical Care
- 8 weeks – Subspecialty Consultative Services (Typically infectious disease, nephrology, & cardiology)
- *Preliminary interns follow a similar schedule, but we do individualize those schedules to best prepare for future training.*

**4 weeks of vacation a year plus holiday schedule**

**6 months of individualized curriculum in PGY 2 & PGY 3 years**

# Clinical Learning Environment

University Hospital serves Southern Alabama, Mississippi Gulf Coast and Northwest Florida as a Tertiary Referral Center.

## **Stats:**

- 406 bed
- Level 1 Trauma Center
- Regional Burn Center
- Stroke Center

# Stanton Road Clinic

Houses the Internal Medicine Resident Primary Care Clinic and has the National Certification as a Patient Centered Medical Home.

## **On-site Services to patients:**

- Pharmacist
- Psychologist
- Phlebotomist
- Registered Dietician

# Specialized Internal Medicine Services

We offer a variety of services including, but not limited to:

**Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center**

- *Including transitional care program*

**Pulmonary Hypertension Program**

**Digestive Health Center**

- *Advanced endoscopy*

**HIV Care**

**Mitchell Cancer Institute**

**Sleep Disorders Center**

**Patient Centered Medical Home**

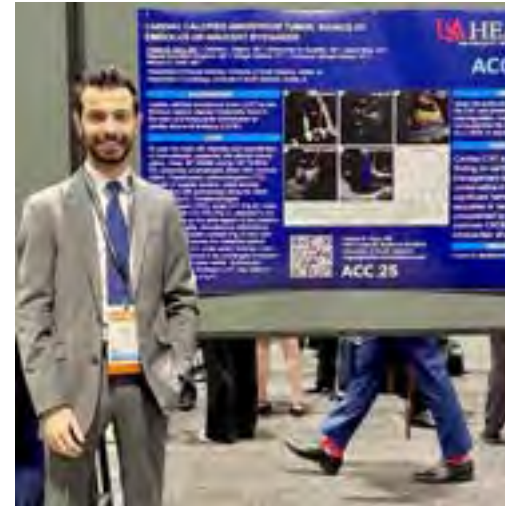
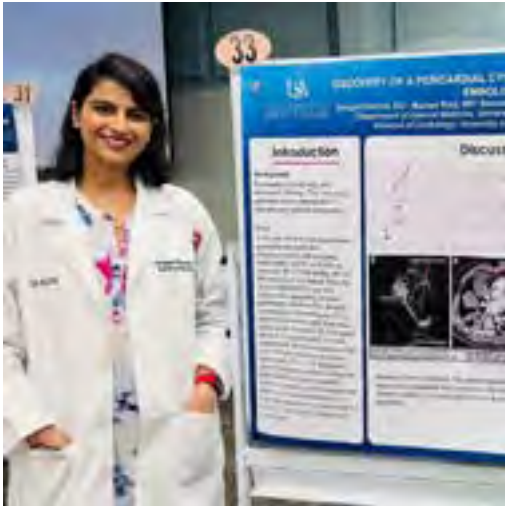
**Cardiology, Renal, Rheumatology, Endocrinology, ID, Pulmonary**

**Health Outreach**

**Center for Healthy Patients – Health Disparities**



# Resident Scholarly Activity



Our program has many research opportunities with faculty mentors. Additional opportunities for scholarly activity through Southern Society of General Internal Medicine, State ACP, University-sponsored resident research day, a GI research collaborative, and quality improvement projects.

**Recent Resident Presentations:** American College of Gastroenterology, Digestive Diseases Week, National ACP Meeting, American Thoracic Society



# Residency Council

## Peer-selected

- 2 from each PGY level

- 1 Preliminary Intern

## Advisory Panel to Program Director and the Residency Program Leadership

## Council Contributions

- Physician wellness

- Serve on departmental education committees

- Assist with any major program changes

- Social activities

# Resident Education

Academic Half Day

Ambulatory Half Day

Thursday Noon Conference

Case Conference

Grand Rounds

Simulations

- *Procedural, POCUS, critical thinking, etc.*

# Residents as Teachers

## *Your Role in Undergraduate Medical Education*

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Year Clerkship**

- Director: Anna Foust, MD
- Best Clerkship 21 of last 25 years

### **4<sup>th</sup> Year Courses**

- Acting Internship Director: Sakteesh Gurunathan, MD
- Subspecialty Electives

### **Teaching Awards**

- Best Intern, Resident, and Clinical Teacher
- Best Acting Internship
- Best 4<sup>th</sup> Year Elective

### **Residents as Teachers Curriculum**

# Quality & Safety

- Institution has engaged HPI/Press Ganey to assess and improve our patient safety culture
- Administration engages residents in improvement efforts
- Housestaff Quality and Safety Council
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- Protected time to engage in quality and safety



# The People

*The Heart of the Residency*

# Our Patients

We see a diverse mix of patients, serve as a safety net hospital, and wide variety of pathology.

As a tertiary referral center receive high acuity, medically complex patients.





# Your Professors

- Dedicated Clinician Educators
- Approachable
- Respected in their fields



# Your Peers

- Family atmosphere
- Supportive peer relationships
- Friendships outside of work



# Program Leadership

*Department Chair*

Nasser Lakkis, M.Sc.-M.D., FACC



# Program Leadership

*Program Director*

Yun Coronado, M.D., MBA



# Program Leadership

*Associate Program Directors*

Haley Ballard, M.D., FACP

Angel Gonzalez Rodriguez, M.D.

Sakteesh Gurunathan, M.D.

Luke Mueller, D.O.





# Program Leadership

*Program Coordinators*

Kimberly Eardley, C-TAGME

Brant Weindorf







# Life After Residency

*Where Our Alumni Have Gone*

# Class of 2025

- **Alex Asturias** – Nephrology Fellow at Baylor Medical Center - McNair Campus in Houston, TX
- **Taylor Avedisian** – Cardiology Fellow at USA Health
- **Alex Bear** – Hospitalist at Mobile Infirmary
- **Chris Bui** – Hospitalist at USA Health
- **Misty Ellis** – Chief Resident at USA Health
- **Jared Johnson** – Primary Care at Springhill Medical Center
- **Haris Manan** – Chief Resident at USA Health
- **Adam Miller** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health
- **Krithika Muthyala** – H/O Fellow at USA Health
- **Aaron Paille** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health
- **Kayla Powers** – Primary Care at Valley Area Primary Care in Valley, AL
- **Moiz Qureshi** – Cardiology Fellow at USA Health
- **Marco Teeter** – Hospitalist at USA Health
- **Doug Williams** – Primary Care at Memorial Hospital Gulfport in Gulfport, MS
- **Jenifer Yeh** – ID Fellow at USA Health
- **Charles Yi** – Chief Resident at USA Health

# Class of 2024

- **Samar Abohamad** – Primary Care at USA Health
- **Areeb Ashfaq** – Cardiology Fellow at USA Health
- **Jena Clementi** – Hospitalist at Springhill Medical Center
- **Hima Devarapalli** – Hospitalist at USA Health
- **Chance Dickson** – GI Fellow at USA Health
- **Anna Gann** – Primary Care at Huntsville Hospital Health System in Huntsville, AL
- **Anas Khouri** – GI Fellow at Cleveland Clinic in Weston, FL
- **David Le** – Hospice & Palliative Medicine Fellow at Rochester Regional Health in Rochester, NY
- **David Marks** – Primary Care at UAB St. Vincent's in Birmingham, AL
- **Reid McClenny** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health
- **Justine McKee** – Primary Care at South Baldwin Medical Group in Fairhope, AL
- **Seema Mir** – Hospitalist at Loyola Medicine in Maywood, IL
- **Ramayee Nadarajan** – Nephrology Fellow at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO
- **Kim Nguyen** – Hospitalist at USA Health
- **Lexi Parks** – Cardiology Fellow at USA Health
- **Valeria Pierluissi** – Nephrology Fellow at UTMB in Galveston, TX
- **Nate Van Horn** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health
- **Enrique Vazquez** – Pulm-CC Fellow at UTMB in Galveston, TX
- **Natalie West** – Hospitalist at Baldwin Health

# Class of 2023

- **Ashley Andrews** – Hospitalist in Birmingham, AL
- **Kyle Clark** – Primary Care in Fairhope, AL
- **Taylor Cook** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health
- **Sarah Dabbas** – Hospitalist at Springhill Medical Center
- **Alvin Green** – GI Fellow at USA Health
- **Sagar Khubchandani** – Hospitalist at OSF Saint Francis Medical Center in Peoria, IL
- **Hajira Malik** – Cardiology Fellow at USA Health
- **Thomas Middleton** – Occupational Health Center in Mobile, AL
- **Luke Mueller** – Stanton Road Clinic Director at USA Health
- **Sina Parikh** – Hospitalist in Baltimore, MD
- **John Phillips** – ID Fellow at LSU Health - New Orleans
- **Matthew Pickich** – Pulm-CC Fellow at UTMB Galveston, TX
- **Michael Tran** – GI Fellow at LSU Health - Shreveport
- **Davis Weidow** – Pulm-CC Fellow at USA Health

# Why Should *You* Choose USA?

- Strong educational program
- Positive learning environment
- Diverse patient population with high acuity, medically complex disease
- The opportunity to serve our community
- Progressive medical decision-making responsibility and opportunity for hands on care
- Strong mentorship opportunities
- Readiness for independent practice at graduation
- Diverse job opportunities following program completion
- Great quality of life and cost of living in Mobile, AL