Guide to Fellowship Training for Pediatric Residents
Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC

If you are considering fellowship training, the following suggestions and information may be useful to you.

Among the most important things to do is to meet with the Chair, Division Chief, Fellowship Program Directors or faculty members of the specialty(ies) you are interested in to get more information about the specialty and suggestions about specific programs.

The majority of fellowship training programs begin to interview fellow candidates between October and May during the PL-2 or PL-3 year of residency, but please refer to the attached table outlining Pediatric Subspecialty Training Application Deadline, Interview Time Frame & Match Details for information on the specialty(ies) you are interested in.

Application Information

Most of our programs participate in the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS). You can refer to the table on page 5 of this document for details. At this link is a listing of which programs, nationally, participate: https://services.aamc.org/eras/erasstats/par/

To learn about the application process for fellowship programs, at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC, please refer to the following link, then click particular program for application and instructions: http://www.chp.edu/providers/08d_fellowship.php Application Deadlines for Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC Programs are listed on the attached table.

Along with the application, depending on the program, a combination of any of the following may be requested to accompany your application:

*Current CV
*3 Letters of Recommendation
*Personal Statement
*Recent Photo
*USMLE Score Report
*Visa/Citizenship Status
*Copy of ECFMG Certificate, if applicable
*Medical School Dean's Letter
*Original Medical School Transcript
*Research experience/publications (if any)
*Honors/Awards

Applications are screened by a divisional committee. Selected candidates will then be invited for an interview. Please see attached table for interview timeframes for the subspecialty programs.

How should I prepare for fellowship training?

Besides doing an excellent job during your residency, the following are suggestions to help prepare for fellowship training:

*Take electives beyond required rotations
*Read available information
*Develop relationship with faculty and fellows in subspecialty in which you're interested
*Develop a teaching or clinical research project or begin thinking of an area of interest for research. Scholarly projects during your residency are a great introduction to an academic career. Something as simple as a case report can help you develop relationships with key faculty members and experience in writing.

What Qualifications are the Programs looking for in applicants?

Our Program Directors will be looking for the following:

*Demonstrates interest in subspecialty
*Motivated/enthusiastic
*Committed to making a difference
*Track record/overall professional development and performance
*Clinical experience and evaluations
*Research interest and potential (not necessarily experience)
*Hard working/strong work ethic
*Good interpersonal and communication skills
*Team player
*Strong leadership skills
*Intellectual inquisitiveness
*Honest
*Mature
*Demonstrated personal initiative
*Ability to manage long term projects

How can I learn more about subspecialty training?

Below are some suggestions from our Program Directors and Division Chiefs on ways in which you can learn about fellowship training:

*Clinical or Research Experience while in residency or during medical school

*Talk to the Program Director, Faculty or Current Fellows at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh

*Search these useful websites:

Children's Hospital Pediatrics Fellowships: http://www.chp.edu/providers/08d_fellowship.php

American Board of Pediatrics Specialty Sections: http://www.aap.org/sections/shome.htm

ACGME: www.acgme.org

AMA-FREIDA: http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/2997.html

*Search Websites for National Organizations for specific subspecialty, such as:

American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology: www.aaaai.org

The Endocrine Society: www.endo-society.org

Lawson Wilkins Pediatric Endocrine Society: http://www.lwpes.org

North American Society for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition: www.naspghan.org

Pediatric Infectious Disease Society: www.pids.org

American Society of Pediatric Nephrology: http://www.aspneph.com/T&C/ConsideringACareer.asp

Child Neurology Society: http://www.childneurologysociety.org

American Board of Pediatrics Section on Child Neurology: http://www.aap.org/sections/neurology/default.cfm

American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology: http://www.abpn.com/Initial_Neuro.htm

Pediatric Subspecialty Training Application, Interview & Match Details

Specialty	Application Deadline	Participates in ERAS?	Interview Timeframe	PL Year during which you will interview	Participate in Match?	If Participate in Match, Match Day 2012-2013
Adolescent Medicine[1]	Rolling	Yes	August-October	PL 3	Yes	11/7/12
Allergy & Immunology	9/1	Yes	Sept-November	PL 3	Yes	12/5/12
Pediatric Blood & Marrow Transplantation	Rolling	No	Rolling	PL 2/3	No	
Pediatric Cardiology	12/31	Yes	January-March	PL 2	Yes	5/30/12
Pediatric Emergency Med	9/1	Yes	Sept-November	PL 3	Yes	11/28/12
Pediatric Endocrinology	3/31	Yes	October-March[2]	PL 2	Yes	5/30/12
Pediatric Gastroenterology	3/31	Yes	January-April	PL 2	Yes	5/30/12
General Academic Pediatrics	12/31	No	July-December[2]	PL 3	No	
Medical Genetics Residency–Pediatric Track	9/1	Yes	September-October	PL 3	Yes	11/28/12
Medical Biochemical Genetics	Rolling	No	Rolling	PL 2/3	No	
Pediatric Hematology/Oncology	3/1	Yes	January 1-April 1	PL 2	Yes	5/2/12
Pediatric Infectious Diseases	12/1	Yes	December 1-March 15	PL 2	Yes	5/30/12
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine	5/31	Yes	December-July	PL 2	Yes	10/3/12
Pediatric Nephrology	9/15	Yes	August - October	PL 3	Yes	11/28/12
Pediatric Pulmonology	3/31	Yes	October-April	PL 2	Yes	5/30/12
Pediatric Rheumatology	9/15	Yes	July 15-November 1	PL 3	Yes	11/28/12
Child Neurology Residency	9/30	Yes	October-January	4th yr Med Sch; PL1/2	Yes	3/15/13
Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Residency	9/30	Yes	October-January	4th yr Med Sch; PL1/2/3	Yes	3/15/13
Pediatric Clinical Neurophysiology	Rolling		Rolling	PL 5/6	No	

[1] Adolescent Medicine will consider applicants from Pediatrics, Internal Medicine and Family Medicine
[2] If situation warrants, application may be considered at other times during the year
[3] Prefer interviewing on Thursday or Friday so applicant can attend Noon Conference.

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