

The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

The Child Abuse Pediatric Fellowship Program at UT Southwestern Medical Center is a three-year program accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) effective July 1, 2017 and will have its first fellow beginning July 1, 2018. We are part of the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics at UTSW. The program is based in Dallas, which is part of a dynamic, diverse and growing metroplex.

The REACH (Referral and Evaluation of At-Risk Children) Program is a multidisciplinary team of physicians, advance practice nurses, social workers, psychologists, and coordinators. Our mission is to restore, promote and enhance the medical and mental health of children at risk for abuse and neglect. The purpose of the fellowship training program is to train pediatricians to become proficient in child abuse pediatrics in order to pursue a career as a clinician, educator, researcher, and community leader in the prevention, detection and treatment of child abuse and neglect. Training will be accomplished within a framework which emphasizes proficiency in six competencies articulated by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education: Medical Knowledge; Patient Care; Practice-based learning and improvement; Interpersonal and communication skills; Professionalism and Systems Based Practice. The program is approved for one fellow every other year and the curriculum has been developed to promote a positive and engaging educational climate with the goal of successfully meeting criteria for certification in Child Abuse Pediatrics by the American Board of Pediatrics.

Our fellows will have the opportunity to work at Children's Medical Center in Dallas, a 490- bed pediatric hospital as well as University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and Parkland Memorial Hospital (Regional Burn Center). UTSW Medical Center is one of the country's best medical schools and a world-renowned research center offering a variety of research opportunities. In addition, fellows will work closely with the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center (one of the oldest in the nation).

Our program offers exposure to a comprehensive multidisciplinary team that includes medical students, residents, advanced practice providers, and nurses and affords the opportunity to develop as a teacher, team member and team leader.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to prepare postgraduate trainees to become leaders in the field of Child Abuse Pediatrics through a combination of educational activities including patient care, readings, and

discussions regarding all aspects of child maltreatment, as well as, research methodology, court testimony, and working with a multidisciplinary team.

Our website: <http://swlxwsprd5edu.swmed.edu/education/medical-school/departments/pediatrics/divisions/developmental-behavioral/fellow-education/>