

Children's Hospital Colorado and The Kempe Center for the Prevention and Treatment of Child Abuse and Neglect

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Three year Child Abuse Pediatrics Fellowship is available for board certified or eligible pediatricians. CO medical license is required. The University of Colorado's Child Protection Team is one of the first three and oldest in the country, founded in 1958 by C. Henry Kempe, MD. Busy clinical service (with approximately 40% sexual abuse and 60% physical abuse or neglect, emergency department, inpatient and outpatient). Weekly child protection team clinic for sexual abuse consultations with colposcopy examination, follow up inpatient care, and community DHS referrals. MDT case review meeting and child abuse radiology rounds are held each week. Rotations to Denver County Family Crisis Center Clinic and local advocacy centers expose fellow to front line assessment and investigation. Team psychologist has local and national reputation for treating severely traumatized children, in particular, those who have witnessed violence. Kempe Center affiliated programs expose fellows to evidence based mental health care for children and a broad scope of educational and research opportunities.

Children's Hospital Colorado is part of the Anschutz Medical Campus, where the integrated clinical, educational and research enterprise of the University of Colorado resides. We are a major referral center for child abuse consultation services for the Rocky Mountain region, including Wyoming, Idaho, Nebraska, and Kansas. Children's is Colorado's only Level One pediatric trauma center with a busy emergency department and a robust network of care, with close to 80,000 ED annual visits on our main campus. We are affiliated with Denver Health Medical Center, a Level One Adult trauma center and the major public health hospital and primary care network for Denver.

Fellowship total time approximately 60% clinical, 20% research, and 20% time involvement in outside activity such as court, lectures and outreach. Civil and criminal court testimony in cases is required part of training. All pediatric fellows at The University of Colorado are required to complete an educational curriculum that includes basic research, biostatistics training, as well as, participation in career development sessions. In addition to this educational series, fellows are encouraged to explore MPH, PhD, and other advanced degrees through the University of Colorado Clinical Sciences Program. Scholarly oversight committee will be in place for fellow with a required scholarly product. This structure will satisfy the ABP requirements for 3 year fellows who plan to take Child Abuse Pediatrics certifying examination. Our funding primarily

through private and foundation grants, and departmental support with clinical earnings. The program can have 1 or 2 positions yearly depending upon funding availability. Past graduates now lead multidisciplinary teams, or hold academic positions in child abuse pediatrics.