

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

Safe Place: [The Center for Child Protection and Health at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia](#) offers an ACGME accredited three year academic fellowship program in Child Abuse Pediatrics. Safe Place is one of the country's leading centers for the care of abused and neglected children. The Safe Place faculty is recognized as national leaders in the field and has a wealth of clinical, education and research expertise to provide a stimulating learning experience for the fellow. The Child Protection Team provides consultation on a busy clinical service to a broad array of suspected child maltreatment inpatients. The CARE Clinic team offers comprehensive evaluations of suspected sexual abuse and physical abuse with a Follow-Up Program which utilizes evidence-based models of trauma treatment. The Safe Place faculty is known for leading studies on the clinical epidemiology of child abuse, as well as community-based and health services research that has informed the policies and practices for maltreated children residing in the child welfare system. Aligned with the PolicyLab and Clinical Effectiveness Unit within the Division of General Pediatrics, there are ample research opportunities to develop one's research interest and skill across a broad array of clinical, health services and policy related topics.

The three-year fellowship will offer the trainee an opportunity to hone both clinical and research skills in a setting that offers the highest degree of mentorship. The first year of fellowship is primarily clinical, with the responsibilities directed at caring for a busy child abuse service in the inpatient and outpatient arenas, and working as a part of the multidisciplinary child protection system. The second and third year provides the fellow the opportunity to receive graduate training in epidemiology and health policy at the Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, protected time for developing and completing research projects with extensive opportunities to access resources across the entire Penn community. Fellows take increasing leadership roles on various multidisciplinary teams focused on the evaluation and management of child maltreatment and develop prerequisite skills in providing leadership and administration of child maltreatment programs.

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