

Palm Beach County Health Department

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Additional Information: Palm Beach County Health Department and Preventive Medicine Residency
Additional Information: www.medicine.nova.edu/academics/preventive.html
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Preventive Medicine/Public Health

The Palm Beach County Health Department in affiliation with Nova Southeastern University established this residency in Preventive Medicine/Public Health in 1956 in order to train residents in the sciences ascribed to public health and preventive medicine. The overarching concept is to develop competent, highly skilled and effective public health leaders. The Palm Beach County Health Department is responsible for supervision of public health programs for a growing county of over 1 million residents with both urban and rural communities. This program covers a curriculum in General Preventive Medicine/Public Health and covers Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Health Administration and Management, Clinical Preventive Medicine and Environmental and Occupational Health. Residents are involved in the traditional public health programs of communicable disease control, environmental health, maternal and child health, school health and health education, as well as providing primary care services for the medically indigent population of the county through the Palm Beach County Health Department. Over 1.1 million services are provided annually at six health centers located throughout the county with a support and professional staff of over 800. Both Nova Southeastern University and the Palm Beach County Health Department have a long history of developing new and innovative programs to meet community needs. Residents have an opportunity to participate in the planning and implementation of these programs. Additional training locations include the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center, the Hanley Center, Comprehensive Alcohol Rehabilitation Program (CARP), Oakwood Center of the Palm Beaches.

Application Procedures

Please submit: A letter of request for admission, including dates of availability; curriculum vitae; Florida medical license number and completed application and supporting documentation.

Program Description and Requirements

In order to qualify for "Certificate of Completion" of the residency in General Preventive Medicine/Public health, each candidate is expected to:

- Complete requirements for the MPH degree
- Attend scheduled lectures, public health seminars, journal club and other meetings.
- Complete monthly activity report and evaluations of training
- Complete the CDC SS1000 course (Principles of Epidemiology).
- Attend public health rotations and clinic assignments

- Complete a clinical year followed by a practicum year
- Receive a satisfactory rating in clinical performance and other requirements.
- Complete a project that demonstrates competency in research and/or evaluation of a public health problem.

Admission Criteria

Physicians must have graduated from an AOA approved osteopathic medical school, or an LCME approved medical school, have satisfactorily completed a one year rotating internship, and be licensed to practice in the state of Florida (A FL training license can be obtained after acceptance into the program.)

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