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East Jefferson General Hospital
Family Medicine Residency Program
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Over the past year, East Jefferson General Hospital (EJGH) has continued its evolution as a vibrant academic medical center through its partnership with Tulane University. The integration of educational, clinical, and administrative operations has matured, creating a more collaborative environment for learners and faculty alike. Residents train in an increasingly diverse healthcare setting that includes expanding subspecialty services, growing transplant programs, and a broad spectrum of inpatient and outpatient clinical experiences.

The EJGH Family Medicine Residency Program remains steadfast in its mission of training outstanding family physicians who are prepared to provide comprehensive, patient-centered care in any practice setting. While the healthcare environment around us continues to evolve, our commitment to broad-spectrum family medicine education remains unchanged. Our residents continue to manage complex hospitalized patients, provide longitudinal outpatient care, perform office-based procedures, and serve as leaders within interdisciplinary healthcare teams.

This academic year marked an important leadership milestone for the residency program. Following a period of transition, I was honored to be appointed the permanent Program Director of the EJGH Family Medicine Residency Program. I am grateful for the confidence placed in me by our faculty, residents, sponsoring institution, and hospital leadership. Together, we continue to focus on clinical excellence, resident wellness, scholarly activity, and the ongoing development of innovative training experiences that prepare graduates for the future of family medicine.

Our residency maintains a busy outpatient continuity clinic that serves patients throughout the Greater New Orleans region, as well as a robust inpatient service that remains central to resident education. We continue to serve as a core clinical site for both Tulane University School of Medicine and LSU Health New Orleans medical students through third-year clerkships, fourth-year acting internships, and participation in student-run clinical experiences. Our residents and faculty remain actively engaged in teaching and mentoring medical students across multiple settings.

Our faculty continue to be a tremendous strength of the program. Core faculty members include Drs. Lamia AbiSamra, Richard Bridges, David Bateman, Jessica Gilbert Slipman, Louis Strauss, and Amy Galiano. We are especially pleased to welcome David Bateman, MD, a graduate of our residency program who returns to our program after several years practicing hospital medicine at EJGH. His experience as a former resident and practicing hospitalist provides a valuable perspective for our learners and further strengthens our inpatient educational mission.

Since the program's founding in 1998, more than 150 family physicians have completed training at EJGH, many of whom continue to serve communities throughout Louisiana and the Gulf South. We look forward to celebrating the graduation of the Class of 2026 on June 26, 2026 and following their future accomplishments in family medicine.

Graduating Class of 2026: Austin Adomitis, MD; Thorkell Einarsson, MD; Caila Knighton, MD; Alyssa Ross, DO; James Vu, MD; and Chandler Young, DO (Chief Resident).

This season, resident recruitment was exceptionally strong. We are pleased to welcome the incoming Class of 2029: Sean Fitzgerald, MD; Claudio Franc, MD, MPH, MBA; Viki Lin, MD; Vasilisa McGehee, MD; Jessica Tran, MD, MS; Haroon Wali, MD.

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In addition, we welcome Nada Attia, MD as a transfer resident into the Class of 2028 after completion of her PGY-1 year at Marquette Family Medicine Residency–UP Health.

Our current residents continue to demonstrate dedication to their patients, their education, and the specialty of family medicine.

Class of 2028: Chris Crumb, MD, MPH; Jasmine Jaramoga, MD, MBA; Omobolanle Kayode, MD; Mosab Sawwan, MD; Joshua Rosby, MD; and Nada Attia, MD.

Class of 2027: Anthony De Felice, MD; Miti Dorzeus, MD (Chief Resident); Beau Kalan, MD (Chief Resident); John Lacey, MD; Karen Liao, MD; and Cammi Sacco, MD.

As we look ahead, our goals include continued curriculum innovation, expansion of scholarly activity, enhancement of resident wellness initiatives, development of procedural training opportunities, and strengthening the identity and visibility of family medicine within our growing academic medical center. We remain committed to producing highly competent physicians who exemplify the values of comprehensive, compassionate, and evidence-based family medicine.

In closing, the continued growth of East Jefferson General Hospital as an academic medical center presents both opportunities and challenges. Through institutional support, dedicated faculty, and exceptional residents, our program remains well-positioned to thrive in this evolving environment. I am optimistic about the future of the residency and confident that our graduates will continue to make meaningful contributions to the health of patients and communities throughout Louisiana and beyond.

Respectfully submitted,
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