

Welcome!

CarePoint Health Christ Hospital and the Rowan University-School of Osteopathic Medicine, Osteopathic Postdoctoral Training Institution of NJ (RowanSOM OPTI of NJ) welcomes you to one of the country's most sought after OGME – 1 training programs. We expect you will have an exciting and productive year. We are also excited that we are Initially Accredited by the ACGME.

Your professional development as a physician will enter its most crucial phase. During the course of your OGME – 1 training program, you will encounter experiences that will transform you from student to physician. While demanding and challenging, your OGME – 1 year will be most rewarding. Hopefully you will learn new responsibility and accountability.

Frequently, the OGME – 1 training program determines the course and direction of one's professional life. You have chosen wisely. Rowan University School of Osteopathic Medicine and the hospital affiliates are extremely proud of our OGME – 1 year, which is the keystone of all our training programs. You have achieved acceptance into a very competitive program. We chose you based on your academic performance and for your potential to contribute to the medical community and the osteopathic profession.

Our goal is to provide you with the best possible training program. Our program has a balance of service and education, with strong faculty support and supervision, along with the clinical opportunity to gradually increase your professional authority and clinical responsibilities. The experience will enhance your knowledge of the clinical core of medicine and also prepare you to master the rapidly changing medical delivery system. Today, more than ever, osteopathic physicians must know and have skills in the technical and theoretical foundations of medicine, as well as knowledge and comfort with biopsychosocial issues. You will develop competency in doctor-patient relationships, interaction with families, interviewing skills, informed consent, advanced directives, confidentiality, ethics, and the law. Our clinical rotations, formal and informal lectures, and conferences provide a strong foundation upon which you will build your career.

We are extremely pleased that you have chosen our program for this important phase of your training, and encourage you, if you have not already decided, to explore residency opportunities in the RowanSOM OPTI of NJ. As your DME/Residency Program Director, I will gladly assist you with career decisions. In addition, the CarePoint Health Christ Hospital Graduate Medical Education office can assist you with a wide range of issues including schedules, licensure, loan deferments, Residency Director letters, career options, and general information.

At CarePoint Health Christ Hospital, you are always welcome to stop by the GME offices located on the second floor. I can be reached at 201-795-8224 and you can reach Marie Cutola at 201-795-8201.

Sincerely,



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