Mission Statement

The General Surgery Residency offers a strong academic and clinical foundation for physicians who have the fundamental knowledge, abilities and mature judgment to be trained as surgeons, and who will be leaders in the field whether it is in clinical practice, or in an academic setting. The educational curriculum is designed to expose the resident to a competitive environment in all relevant fields of surgery.

Academic Environment

The General Surgery Residency Program at the Detroit Medical Center (DMC) is located on an attractive and modern campus. The center is comprised of nine entities on a single campus, which includes Harper University Hospital, Hutzel Women's Hospital, Detroit Receiving Hospital, Children's Hospital of Michigan, The John D. Dingell (Detroit) Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Karmanos Cancer Institute/Center, University Health Center, Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, Wayne State University School of Medicine and its research buildings. Sinai-Grace Hospital is located off campus on the Northwest side of Detroit and Huron Valley Sinai-Grace is in the Northwest part of the metropolitan area in Commerce Twp. St. Mary Mercy Livonia is in a suburb of Detroit.

The diverse backgrounds and interests of Wayne State University's (WSU) Surgery faculty enrich residency training in several ways. First, the majority of faculty members are engaged in either basic or clinical research, or both, which adds greater depth to their teaching. Second, most of the faculty has more than one clinical interest or subspecialty. Third, faculty members are dedicated teachers. Each of the hospitals where residents rotate has full-time WSU surgical faculty primarily based at that institution.

Eligibility for Employment

Requirements for employment in the WSU General Surgery Residency Program at the DMC is a medical degree (M.D., D.O., or M.B.B.S) and, if a foreign medical graduate, ECFMG certification. If not a United States Citizen or permanent resident, successful J1 visa status. Successful completion of all required on-boarding documentation requested by the department and the DMC/WSU or other entities prior to start date. Successful clearance by Occupational Health prior to start date. Must successfully pass USMLE Step 1 and Step 2 exam to begin either categorical or preliminary year 1. Must successfully pass USMLE or COMLEX Step 3 exam by end of categorical year 1 to be promoted to categorical year 2.