

In Partnership with the New York State Department of Health



# Preventive Medicine Residency Program



The New York State Preventive Medicine Residency Program prepares physicians for leadership positions in Preventive Medicine and Public Health, where they can have an impact on the major public health issues from obesity to disaster preparedness. The program is jointly sponsored by the New York State Department of Health and the University at Albany (SUNY) School of Public Health and has been ACGME accredited since 1991.

## What will I get out of the program?

- Master of Public Health degree from the UAlbany School of Public Health
- Eligibility for board certification in general preventive medicine & public health
- Experience in a variety of setting of preventive medicine & public health
- Professional development and leadership training
- Competence in the critical review of medical and public health literature through journal clubs focused on study design and evidence-based medicine

## How long is the program?

The typical program is 2 years:

- Academic year (PGY-2): coursework toward the MPH degree
- Practicum year (PGY-3): hands-on experience working with public health professionals at the NYS Department of Health, county health departments, and other public or private health institutions or agencies

Candidates who already have a MPH degree may apply for the one-year practicum phase only.

## What areas of concentration are available?

All residents learn about public health issues addressed by state and local health departments and private sector public health partners, focusing on specific issues they are most interested in, such as communicable disease control or maternal & child health.

We have two special tracks within the program for residents with special interests: a cancer prevention track and a public health leadership track. Cancer track residents focus their elective and practicum choices on cancer related issues, and they interact closely with the regional office of the American Cancer Society. Those in the public health leadership track focus on state and local public health practice.

## What are the prerequisites?

- MD or DO degree
- Completion of at least one year (PGY-1) of clinical training in a primary care specialty (pediatrics, internal medicine, family practice, or obstetrics and gynecology).
- Eligible for an unrestricted New York State license by meeting the following requirements:
  - Graduate of an accredited U.S. medical school who has passed FLEX or Part III of the USMLE, or
  - Foreign medical graduate who has passed FLEX or USMLE and has had three years of clinical training in an accredited U.S. residency training program.

## How do I apply?

Application instructions and forms are available on our website - see below. Applications must be submitted by mail to the Program Director:

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University at Albany School of Public Health  
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## When are applications due?

Applications are due November 1 for entry into the program the following July 1.

## How do I obtain more information?

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