

MCH TRAINING PROGRAM: PEDIATRIC PULMONARY CENTERS

DIVISION OF RESEARCH, TRAINING, AND EDUCATION MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU OF THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Mission

The mission of the Pediatric Pulmonary Centers is to develop leaders who will improve the health of children with respiratory conditions through the provision of family-centered care. These training programs aim to promote comprehensive, coordinated, family centered, and culturally sensitive systems of health care that serve the diverse needs of all families within their communities. Pediatric Pulmonary Centers (PPC) traineeships are available in pulmonary medicine, nursing, nutrition, pharmacy, respiratory care, physical therapy, and social work. Funding is available for long term traineeships of at least 300 hours of clinical and didactic experience.

Purpose

The PPCs maintain five goals:

- 1. To provide interdisciplinary leadership training for graduate and postgraduate health professionals.
- 2. To provide services to children by facilitating family-centered, community-based culturally appropriate comprehensive care.
- 3. To pursue basic science and clinical research relevant to pediatric lung diseases.
- 4. To provide consultation and technical assistance in the planning and implementation of services at the local, state, regional, and national levels.
- 5. To provide relevant regional and national continuing education for health professionals at all levels.

PPC Graduate Attributes

- 1. Demonstrate clinical excellence
- 2. Incorporate the public health principles of health promotion/disease prevention into professional activities
- 3. Demonstrate understanding of public and private systems of care
- 4. Demonstrate administrative management, and strategic planning
- 5. Participate in advocacy and legislative processes
- 6. Apply principles of coordinated, family-centered care to practice
- 7. Apply principles of culturally competent care to practice
- 8. Establish and maintain community based linkages
- 9. Apply interdisciplinary team skills
- 10. Demonstrate effective education and communication skills
- 11. Utilize information resources and technology

The PPC Post-Training Leadership Competencies and Outcome Measures were collaboratively developed and are used primarily to evaluate the leadership attributes of MCH PPC Training Program graduates, although they are used for programmatic and faculty leadership evaluation as well.

Program Profile

In FY 2009, MCHB funded seven programs with annual grant awards totaling about \$2.3 million. The next competition for Pediatric Pulmonary Centers is in FY 2010.

Program Locations

Alabama

University of Alabama at Birmingham

Arizona University of Arizona, Tucson

Florida University of Florida, Gainesville

New Mexico

University of New Mexico Health Science Center, Albuquerque

New York

Mount Sinai School of Medicine New York City

Washington State University of Washington, Seattle

Wisconsin

University of Wisconsin - Madison

For contact information and project abstracts: http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov/training/projects.asp?program=15 and http://ppc.mchtraining.net/

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