Fellowship in Emergency Department Quality & Management

Quality-Operations-Leadership-Patient Safety
Description

The Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (BIDMC) Fellowship in Emergency Department Quality & Management prepares emergency medicine (EM) physicians to become effective emergency department managers and leaders in their home departments. During the program, fellows will develop expertise in Emergency Department (ED) quality improvement and patient safety, ED operations (including clinical flow, overcrowding management, and pathway development), ED staff training and/or residency program development, and other essential management and leadership skills.

The goal of the fellowship is to provide emergency medicine clinicians with the key quality improvement, operational, administrative, and management skills they need to effectively manage high functioning and patient-safe emergency departments. The program will teach fellows how to optimize and improve their emergency departments through an evidence-based curriculum focused on ED quality, operations, and education. One of the aims of the fellowship is to inspire fellows to become beacons of change within emergency medicine in their home countries or departments.

Each fellow will complete a practical Capstone Project to be implemented at the fellow’s home institution upon conclusion of the program.

Fellowship Structure

Fellows will be paired with a senior emergency medicine faculty member from Harvard Medical Faculty Physicians (HMFP) who will serve in the role of primary mentor during the 12-month fellowship. The HMFP mentor will meet with each fellow regularly to monitor progress of the program, answer questions, provide feedback, and guide and facilitate learning opportunities.

The fellowship curriculum will be comprised of four main components:

- Core curriculum delivery
- ED observation and workflow analysis
- Administrative and EM training observation
- Capstone Project

The core curriculum will be delivered in four content modules by the HMFP fellowship faculty. The program will also begin with a 2-week orientation and finish with a presentation of the Capstone Project.

Fellowship Faculty

SENIOR MENTORS

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Professor of Emergency Medicine and Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Richard Wolfe, MD
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PROGRAM DIRECTOR

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Director of Operations, Department of Emergency Medicine, BIDMC
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CORE FACULTY

Shamai Grossman, MD, MPH
Vice Chair for ED Health Care Quality and Director of Observation Medicine, BIDMC
Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Carrie Tibbles, MD
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Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Larry Nathanson, MD
Director, Emergency Medicine Informatics, BIDMC
Assistant Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School

Nathan Shapiro, MD, MPH
Vice Chairman of Emergency Medicine Research, BIDMC
Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, Harvard Medical School

*Additional BIDMC emergency physicians, neurologists, neuroradiologists, and neurosurgeons, all with HMS appointments are included in the fellowship faculty and will teach various components.
## Core Curriculum Modules

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<td><strong>ED QUALITY</strong></td>
<td><strong>ED OPERATIONS</strong></td>
<td><strong>ED EDUCATION</strong></td>
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<td>ED Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement</td>
<td>Best Practices in ED Operations</td>
<td>Residency Program Development and Staff Training</td>
<td>Elective Module</td>
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<td>How to develop and implement a quality program</td>
<td>How to optimize patient flow and throughput</td>
<td>Setting up a comprehensive EM curriculum</td>
<td>In the fourth module of the program, fellows will choose one of the following electives to help support their capstone progress:</td>
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<td>Creating a reporting/flagging system</td>
<td>Strategies to decrease ED crowding</td>
<td>Residency program development</td>
<td>1. Emergency Informatics</td>
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<td>Engaging faculty to be part of the QA process</td>
<td>Requesting, analyzing, and interpreting operational metric data</td>
<td>Preparing residents to handle the clinical and administrative demands of busy EDs</td>
<td>2. Ultrasound Program Development</td>
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<td>Setting quality markers</td>
<td>Communicating a plan for ED crowding reduction to hospital decision makers</td>
<td>Evaluation of residents</td>
<td>3. Research Administration and Program Development</td>
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<td>Case reviews</td>
<td>Staffing strategies and best practices</td>
<td>Teaching residents to supervise medical students and other residents</td>
<td>4. Clinical Excellence in Sepsis, Cardiac, and Neuro Emergencies</td>
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<td>Tracking/signaling systems</td>
<td>Optimizing handoffs and transfers of care</td>
<td>Use of simulation in undergraduate, graduate, and CME</td>
<td>5. Pre-hospital Care</td>
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<td>Pathway development</td>
<td>Leveraging the electronic health record and other technologies to improve patient care</td>
<td>ED team training</td>
<td>6. Customized Elective Module</td>
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About the Fellowship

RESEARCHER STATUS
All fellows will be granted the status of Research Fellow at BIDMC upon acceptance. Fellows will also be eligible to hold a position as a Harvard Medical School (HMS) Research Fellow; application and administration of this status will be arranged during the first month. These statuses will allow fellows access to both BIDMC and HMS library and other resources.

DURATION OF FELLOWSHIP
The fellowship program spans over the course of 12 months. Start date can be arranged based on the needs of the applicant.

TUITION
The tuition of the fellowship is $115,000 USD.

FOR INFORMATION OR TO APPLY
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