

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION HOUSE OFFICER APPLICANT INFORMATION

RESIDENT ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION

LSU School of Medicine ensures that its training programs select from eligible applicants on the basis of their preparedness, ability, aptitude, academic credentials, communication skills, and personal qualities such as motivation and integrity. Programs do not discriminate with regard to sex, race, age, religion, color, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or veteran status. House Officer selection criteria must conform to the guidelines of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) General Requirements.

DUTY HOURS

LSU School of Medicine ensures that policies and procedures to assure the specific ACGME policies relating to duty hours are successfully implemented and monitored. These policies may be summarized as:

- work no more than 80 hours per week when averaged over 4 weeks
- have 1 day (24 hours) in 7 free of program duties when averaged over 4 weeks
- have call no more frequently than every third night when averaged over a 4 week period
- limit continuous in-house duty to 24 hours with up to 6 additional hours for transition as described in the ACGME requirements
- have 10 hours between all daily duty periods and after in house call.

COMPENSATION

Will be provided consistent with the pay scale determined by the managing entity of Louisiana's Charity Hospital System.

DISABILITY INSURANCE AND EMERGENCY FUNDS

The opportunity to participate in-group long-term disability coverage is available through the GME Office. In the event a House Officer experiences a loss of income as a result of an emergency, he/she should contact the Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs for possible avenues of assistance.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Eligible to enroll in the state employees' health insurance or state managed health care options through Employee Benefits, or LSUHSC resident health insurance.

MALPRACTICE INSURANCE

The State of Louisiana provides professional liability coverage pursuant to LSA-R.S. 40:1299.39 et seq. to House Officers. This insurance does not provide coverage to house officers for moonlighting activities.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

Following a full-time employment offer (post-job offer) and prior to becoming an active employee, the successful candidate will be required to undergo post-job offer testing for the presence of drugs. The candidate must test free of drugs as a condition of hiring. Drug testing will also be required of an employee prior to promotion or transfer to a safety sensitive position or to a higher safety sensitive or security sensitive position.

In accordance with federal and state regulations, residents are subject to alcohol and drug testing within the parameters set forth by this policy. Residents will be subject to undergo alcohol and drug testing for: reasonable suspicion/for cause and periodic monitoring or aftercare.

LA MEDICAL LICENSE/PERMIT/INTERN CARD

All House Officers must meet and maintain Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners requirements for a permit/intern card for physicians in training or unrestricted medical licensure.

LAB COATS, MEALS, NIGHT CALL

Availability of housing, meals, lab coats, etc. will vary among the hospital to which House Officers are assigned.

PAGERS

Pagers are provided and managed by the Office of Graduate Medical Education.

LEAVE

Each type of leave will be monitored and granted in accordance with this policy, the needs of the program, and the provisions of applicable law. Whether training time missed as a result of extended leave can be made up by the House Officer is determined by the Department Head and/or Program Director in accordance with the requirements of the particular program and the provisions of applicable law.

❑ VACATION LEAVE

Vacation leave is non-cumulative per year. House Officers at post-graduate year I (PGY I) are entitled to twenty-one (21) days/yr. PGY II and above are entitled to twenty-eight (28) days/yr.

❑ MILITARY LEAVE

If called to active duty, fifteen (15) days of paid military leave are permitted.

❑ LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A leave of absence may be granted subject to Program Director approval and as may be required by applicable law for illness extending beyond available sick leave; for academic remediation; to address licensing problems; and/or for family or personal emergencies. To the extent that such leave exceeds available vacation and/or sick leave, any leave granted will be without pay.

❑ MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE

To receive paid maternity leave available vacation leave and sick leave must be utilized. Paid and unpaid maternity leave for up to six (6) weeks or extended unpaid maternity leave may be granted. Paid paternity leave must utilize available vacation leave. Extended leave without pay may be granted.

❑ EDUCATIONAL LEAVE

Permitted five (5) days of educational leave to attend/present at medical meetings.

❑ FAMILY LEAVE

Having worked for LSUHCS for twelve (12) months and 1,250 hours in the previous twelve (12) months, may be eligible for up to twelve (12) weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave in each twelve (12) month period. (Family Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA)).

❑ SICK LEAVE

Permitted fourteen (14) days of paid non-cumulative sick leave per year.

SELECTIVE SERVICE POLICY

Act 372 of State of Louisiana Legislature requires that any male who is required to register with the Selective Service for a federal draft must do so before he is eligible to be hired in either a state classified or unclassified position.

For more detailed description of policies, please see the LSU School of Medicine House Officer Manual or www.lsuhsoc.edu and Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners <http://www.lsbme.org> rev 10/2003