Pediatric Gastroenterology and Hepatology Elective Rotations

Electives and Observerships with Pediatric Gastroenterology and Hepatology Fellows

The Division of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Hepatology at Mount Sinai offers one month visiting elective rotations for Pediatric Gastroenterology and Hepatology Fellows, Residents, and Medical Students. To be eligible, physicians and students must be currently training in an U.S. Medical School affiliated program, U.S. Territory, Puerto Rico, or Canada. Rotations are offered year-round and dates are flexible.

**Pediatric Gastroenterology**

This rotation provides the physician-in-training with a complete and unified approach for diagnosing, treating and caring for patients with common gastrointestinal problems that pediatricians may encounter in the practice of general pediatrics. The rotation also offers exposure to more advanced diagnostic and treatment techniques practiced by Pediatric Gastroenterology sub-specialists in a tertiary-care hospital.

Description of the elective:

1. The learning experience is case-based. During the elective, the physician-in-training will be exposed to a wide variety of patients with common gastrointestinal problems such as constipation, diarrhea, vomiting, gastroesophageal reflux disease, feeding and nutritional problems, chronic abdominal pain, inflammatory bowel diseases, acute and chronic hepatitis, abnormal liver tests and jaundice.
2. The physician-in-training will observe and participate in the procedures performed by fellows and attendings in the outpatient endoscopy unit. Procedures include upper endoscopies, colonoscopies, liver biopsies, gastrostomy tube placement and dilatations among others.
3. Residents and students participate in regularly scheduled conferences, including: pathology conference, radiology conference, journal club, pediatric and gastroenterology grand rounds, endoscopy conference and clinical rounds. Residents and students may have the opportunity to present a talk on a Gastroenterology topic at the end of the rotation.
4. Residents will be assigned to evaluate patients with an attending physician during a clinic session.

Interested candidates should contact Yvonne Chestnut at yvonne.chestnut@mssm.edu or apply via the Visiting Student Application Service (VSAS®). Please note, this rotation will require a Visiting Trainee Agreement between Mount Sinai and the applicant’s home institution. Applicants should request a rotation at least 4 months prior to the desired start date.

**Pediatric Hepatology**

This rotation offers a unique opportunity for exposure to Pediatric Hepatology and Intestinal Rehabilitation at a well-established pediatric transplantation center with both liver and small bowel transplantation. We are an integral component of Mount Sinai’s Recanati/Miller Transplantation Institute, which is one of the largest and most comprehensive adult and pediatric abdominal
transplantation centers in the world and features the Zweig Family Center for Living Donation, one of the largest living donor programs in the United States.

During the rotation, applicants will provide Pediatric Hepatology services on the Service, supervised by MSH’s attending staff. The rotation will include the development of the knowledge and skills needed to recognize and manage complex pediatric hepatology conditions, including acute and chronic hepatitis, metabolic and genetic liver diseases, neonatal cholestasis, acute and chronic liver failure, chronic cholestatic disorders, and bile duct and gall bladder disorders.

Inpatient management of-
- Chronic Hepatitis
- Liver Failure (both acute and chronic)
- Portal hypertension
- Post Liver Transplant Complications- Rejection, Infections in Immunocompromised Patients, Lymphoproliferative Disease

Outpatient objectives-
- Diagnose and manage patients with liver disease
- Evaluation and management of potential candidates for transplantation, pre-transplant care, and post-transplant follow-up.

Observational clinical-
- Observation of, and participation in, procedures, including variceal band ligation, variceal sclerotherapy, transjugular and percutaneous liver biopsies.
- Additional liver biopsy review with the Transplant Pathology staff.
- Participation in radiology meetings, recipient review meetings

Interested candidates should email their CV to Dr. Ronen Arnon, Pediatric Hepatologist, Recanati/Miller Transplantation Institute, Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York: ronen.arnon@mountsinai.org
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