

EVMS Psychiatry Residency (Eastern Virginia Medical School)

The mission of the Psychiatry Residency Training Program at Eastern Virginia Medical School is to educate physicians, nurture their competence and comfort with the specialty of general psychiatry, as well as promote their mastery of clinical practice. The EVMS residency-training program in psychiatry is inclusive and the community we serve is diverse. The faculty is invested in resident growth, focusing on training clinicians who are proficient both in psychotherapeutic and somatic treatment modalities. Residents will gain experience in psychiatric research by participating in quality improvement projects and required scholarly activity. Hampton Roads has a population of 1.7 million and is the seventh largest metro in the Southeast United States. The resident physicians of Eastern Virginia Medical School thrive by learning from the wide spectrum of multiracial and ethnic, socioeconomic, and diverse life experiences of our patients. We are guided by the EVMS diversity statement, "We strive to attract talented students, trainees, faculty, staff, and leaders who bring diverse attributes and experiences to drive our collective commitment to excellence". Our programs promote a workplace of inclusiveness, which fosters creativity, teamwork, culturally sensitive patient care, and an enriching training environment. We are committed to recruiting applicants who are underrepresented in medicine and are responsive to the needs of our community. The major goals of the program in addition to those in the mission statement are: 1. to instill a sense of ethics and responsibility for the well being of the patient. 2. to develop an understanding of cultural sensitivity and promote a community of inclusion 3. to cultivate research interests as well as the ability to critique published research. 4. to help residents become aware of the limits of their knowledge and the need for continuing medical education. 5. to help residents to provide other disciplines with knowledge and a basic understanding of psychiatry. 6. to ensure that residents can lead mental health teams with self- confidence, i.e. by accepting input from other team members and utilizing the input to make the decisions for the treatment of the patient.