UCLA-Olive View Psychiatry Residency Training Program

The UCLA-Olive View Psychiatry Residency Training Program is community-based, county-supported, and academically-oriented, and we aim to provide our residents with an outstanding education of great breadth and great depth via active learning in multiple settings where they gain mastery in caring for patients from a broad diversity of backgrounds, with a special focus on underserved and disadvantaged populations. We recognize and value the importance of communication, collaboration, and community in this endeavor, and these pillars guide the mission of our program. We are based in the San Fernando Valley region of Los Angeles and sponsored by University of California, Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services, and the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health. Our residents rotate through a variety of clinical settings, including multiple outpatient clinics in the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health, the inpatient wards and psychiatric emergency room at Olive View-UCLA Medical Center, the student counseling center at California State University in Northridge, and the Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital of UCLA. Residents become adept at working with a variety of patient populations, often with very different treatment modalities. We also offer a long-term outpatient clinic experience starting at the beginning of the second year of training, as well as ample opportunities for residents to become well-versed in the neuroscientific bases of mental illness. Our graduates have gone on to successful careers in community mental health, private practice, and academic psychiatry. Our philosophical approach to residency education emphasizes the development of a strong foundation in biological, psychosocial, cultural, and psychotherapeutic concepts to facilitate clinical excellence in our trainees, who bring a broad diversity of backgrounds and experiences that we believe greatly strengthens our program. We expect that at the conclusion of their residency education, our graduates will be adept at drawing on a clinical toolkit that has been well-stocked with evidencebased diagnostic and therapeutic interventions. Our residents gain comprehensive experience and training in multiple settings, including inpatient units in community and academic hospitals, a robust consult-liaison service, a dedicated psychiatric emergency room, a university student health center, and community-based outpatient clinics in which they have opportunity to evaluate and care for their patients on a longitudinal basis using a variety of treatment and psychotherapeutic modalities. Complementing this training, a critical component of how we facilitate the success of our residents is through individualized mentorship and opportunities to support the development of their scholarly and clinical interests. Ultimately, our goal is to train humanistic, compassionate, and clinically outstanding psychiatrists who will thrive in a broad spectrum of career trajectories, including clinical practice in any setting, medical education, research, advocacy, and administration and leadership.