

2025 Annual Conference:

Navigating the Future: Sustaining Excellence in APP Postgraduate Training

July 14-15, 2025



TRACK Two: Established Programs

Expansion, Enhancements and Best Practices for Existing Programs

TRACK TWO: Capitol Peak A



Setting the standard for postgraduate training

Maximizing Technology to Manage Your Program

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APP Fellowships and Innovations in Technology

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- Fellowship Program Participants



Lecture Objectives



Describe how technology can streamline program development, management and education.



Identify key technology platforms and tools to support clinical training and program evaluation.



Evaluate clinical simulation to enhance the learning environment and maintain quality and safety.



Develop strategies to integrate technology into daily program operations.



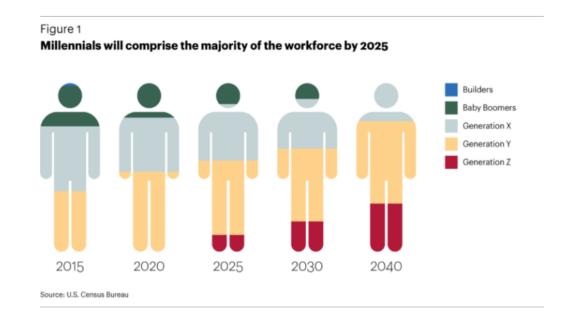
Recognize potential barriers to technology adoption and propose solutions to improve.



Evolution of Technology

- Fellowship program technology is an evolutionary process requiring continual reevaluation
- What are the workforces' generational needs and skills





Next Generation in the Workforce

Understanding the Workforce: Values, Trends & Drivers

- Work life balance
- Professional development and growth
- Technology
- Collaboration
- Recognition and feedback



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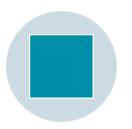


Technology to Streamline Program Management











RECRUITMENT & MARKETING

APPLICATION PLATFORM

APPLICANT REFERENCES EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT

PROGRAM EVALUATION



Technology in Program Management

- Recruitment Strategies: Targeting the workforce
- Marketing: Utilizing virtual meeting and platforms
- Social Media: Outreach and engagement

Upcoming Information Sessions Is this fellowship right for me? May 8, 2025 12:00pm – 1:00pm Meet the fellowship specialty leaders/Q&A Session June 12, 2025 12:00pm – 1:00pm



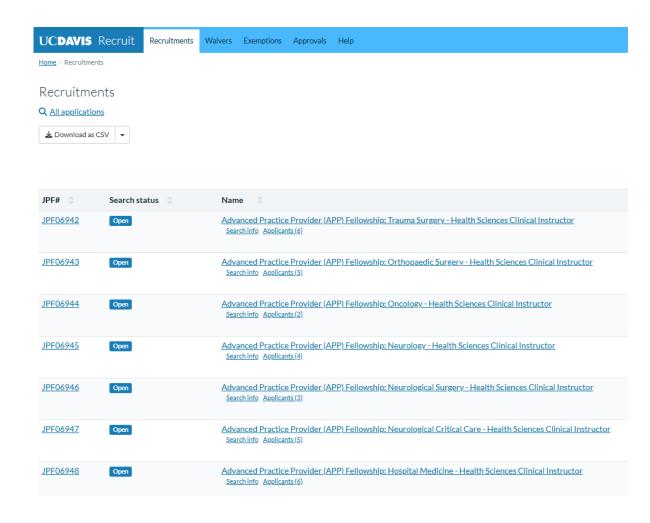


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Program Management & Recruitment

Evolution of the application process

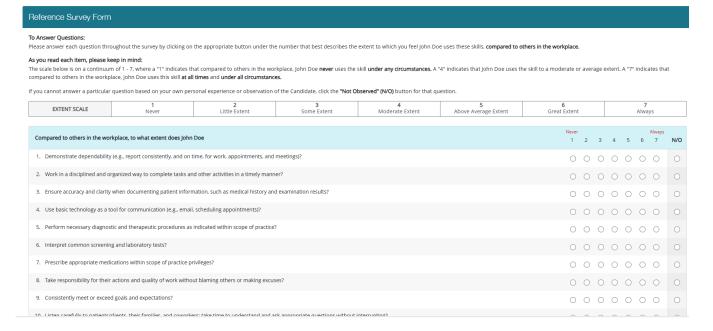
- Transition from email application submission to an online application portal
- Reference request evolution
 - Email submission
 - Application portal
 - Survey link for evaluation

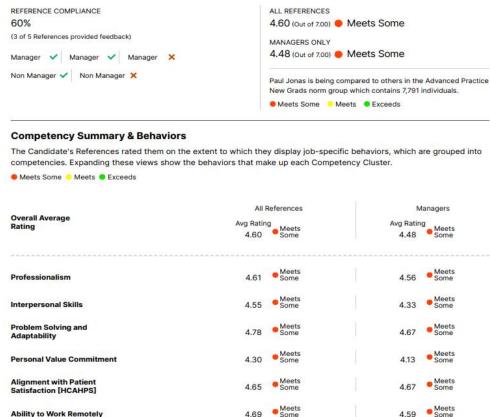




Program Management & Recruitment

 From letters of recommendation to Skills Survey

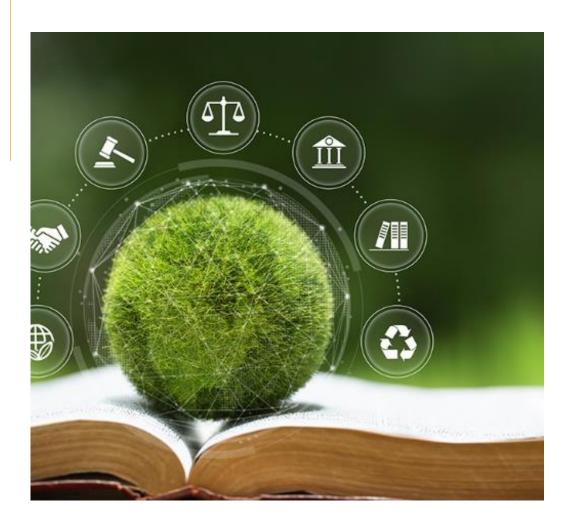






SKILLSURVEY

Program Education



Fellowship Program Education

- Specialty Track Specific
- Curriculum
- Mobile Application
- Didactic Education
- Simulation



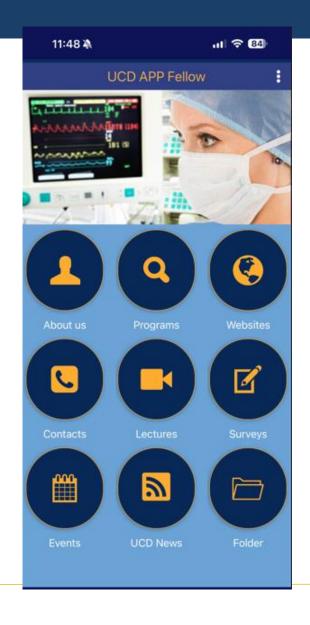
Program Curriculum

- Must be specific to specialty and add to existing knowledge base
- Developed by content experts
- Maintained annually if not more frequently
- Should promote rapid acquisition of clinical skill
- Easy to access from any environment





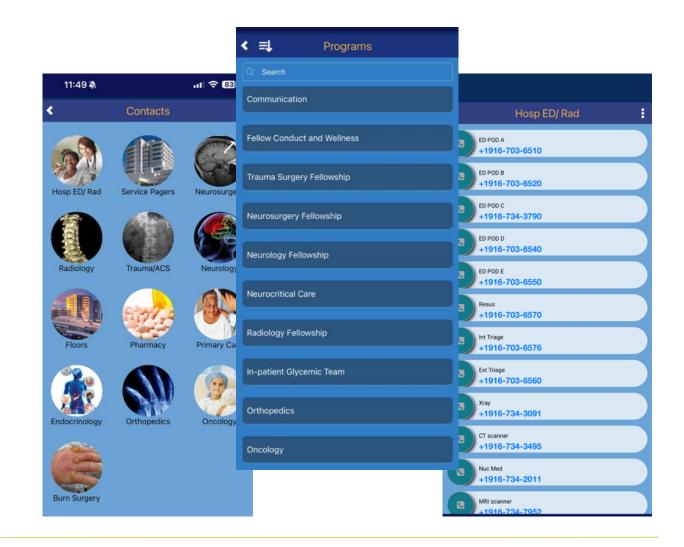
- Access and education content maintained by fellowship program leadership
- Mobile application development
- Tool to support fellow education
 - Disease specific management reference
 - Access contacts on the go
 - Role guidance
 - EMR tips
 - Survey their experience
 - Hospital system enculturation
 - Curriculum updated annually and through rapid cycle quality improvement





Mobile Application Resources

- Focused on hospital enculturation
- Provider acclimation to advanced practice role & setting specific needs
- Quick references accessible on smart devices





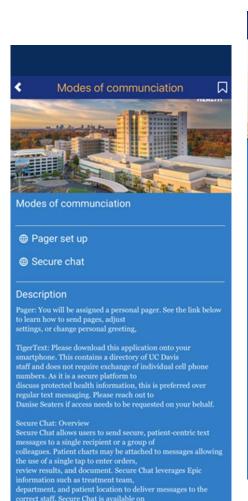
Communication & Documentation Resources

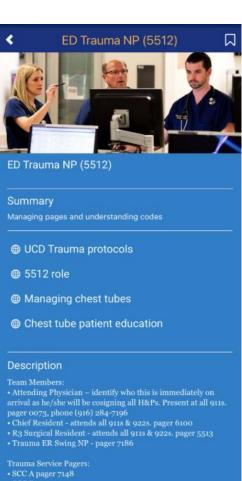
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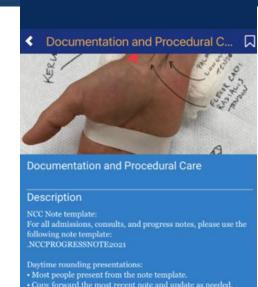
- Pager & secure chat
- APP roles & responsibilities
- Hospital policies & protocols

Documentation:

- Links for documentation guides
- Service line note templates
- Specialty specific procedural care & documentation







One-liner, 24 hr events, objective data (vitals + ICP/Pbto2/

CPP, I&Os, drain output, labs, current drips, micro data, new

Assessment and plan is system based, in the order listed in the

· Make sure to report sodium goal under renal, and BP goal

NCC APPs perform the following procedures below.

APPs must be supervised until they have privileges to

Stop to examine patient as a group.

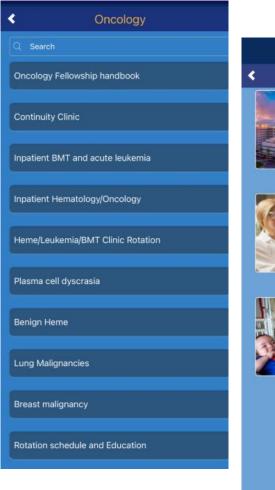
perform a procedure independently.

under CV - not under neuro.

note template.









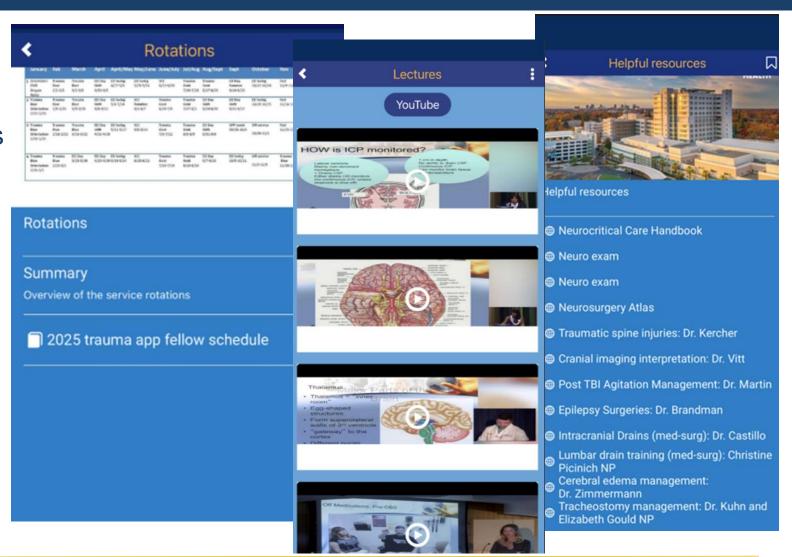
Real Time Quick References

- References & resources to support rapid skill acquisition
- Links to pertinent scholarly publications
- Links to clinical decision tools
- System wide resources & websites

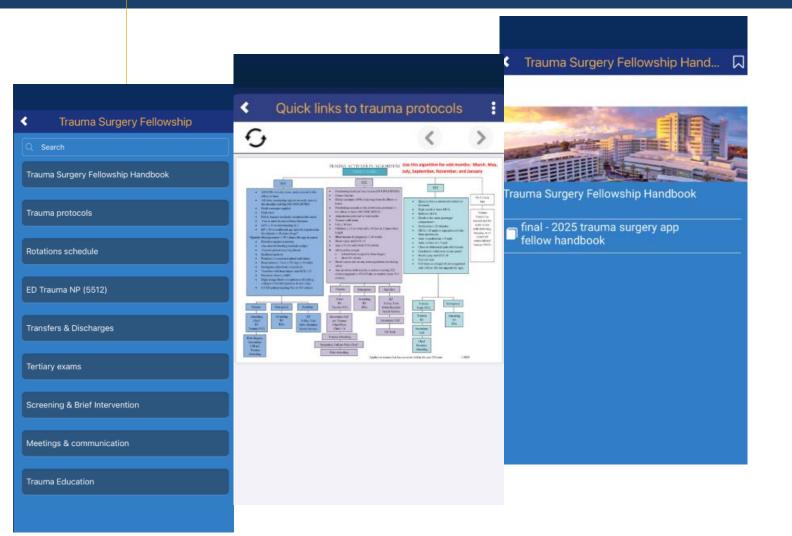


Rotation Schedules & Resources

- Annual rotation schedules
- Pre-recorded lectures
- Specialty specific helpful resources







Specialty Track Specific Curriculum & Policy

- Curriculum and policy developed to be accessed from cell phone
- Active links to health system policies, procedures & standardized procedures



Mobile Application Support & Logistics







ANNUAL HOURS
ESTIMATED TO
SUPPORT
APPLICATION 40-80
HOURS



STAFF TO BUILD
APPLICATION



Leveraging Technology: Didactic Education

Didactic Lectures & Fellow Projects

Didactic Lectures:

- Monthly
- Utilizing in person and virtual attendance capacity
- Session recordings obtained and shared with fellows for additional referencing

Fellow Project Education:

- Evidenced based practice (EBP) fellow projects
- Utilizing MS TEAMS platform for references and educational resources
- Prerecorded lectures and prior cohort recordings shared





Didactic Lecture Content

Monthly Didactic Lectures:

Provider Wellness

Evidence Based Practice

Managing Diabetes

CV and Interview Prep

Managing Respiratory Emergencies

Specialty specific Content:

Grand Rounds

M&M review

Specialty Specific Journal Club

Specialty Education

Educational Opportunities & Professional Development

APP Journal Club

APP Grand Rounds APP Mentorship Program



Advanced Practice Grand Rounds

- Monthly virtual meetings over lunch hour, session recordings
- APP ownership and leadership, separate from departmental grand rounds
- Content experts from throughout the health system
- Access to care, quality improvement, credentialing and privileging
- Review evidenced-based practices
- Leadership and growth for fellows and staff
- A platform to promote professional competence



APP Journal Club

Quarterly virtual meetings

Content with broad relevance

Learn methods for critical appraisal and practice implementation

Review evidence based-practice topics and professional role development



History of Simulation

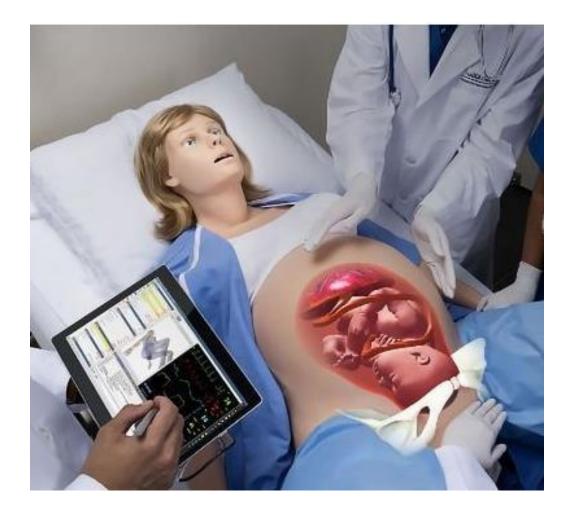
- Improves competency in technical procedures and consequently procedural safety.
- Historically simulation was utilized to demonstrate techniques, acquire skills, maintain best practices in healthcare & aviation for centuries
- In the aerospace industry simulation is the standard in training aviators and it has become the safest industry despite the extraordinary inherent risks.
- Simulation is underutilized in the healthcare industry





Simulation in Healthcare: Improve Outcomes

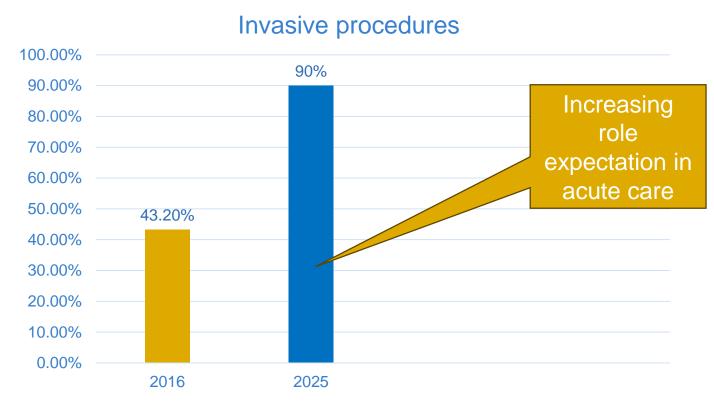
- Approximately one in every ten patients worldwide is harmed during their care in a hospital in high-income countries, where 50% is preventable.
- Simulation has been underutilized in medical education and training. This is despite evidence that the number of preventable errors and harm from medical care makes admission to hospital many times more dangerous than air travel.





Performing Procedures

Practice setting 39.60% 60.40%

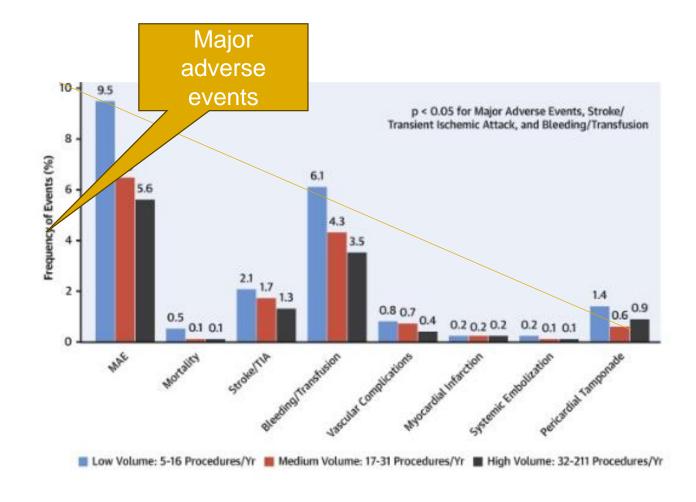


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Procedural Volume

 Hospitals and providers that perform higher volumes of procedures generally have better clinical outcomes





Simulation and Appropriate Utilization

Simulation Utilization:

- Fellows working in acute care setting and or APP's performing procedures in pediatric and adult patient care settings
- Intensive Care Units
- Emergency Department
- In-Patient Acute Care
- Specialty Care





Simulation for High Risk, Low Opportunity Procedures







SIMULATION PROCEDURES

- Intubation
- Central line insertion
- Arterial line insertion
- Chest tube insertion and removal



Technology for Program Evaluation



Using technology for program and fellow evaluation



Online quick survey links



Data processing and surveillance using pivot tables and visual aids to monitor performance, progression and variances.



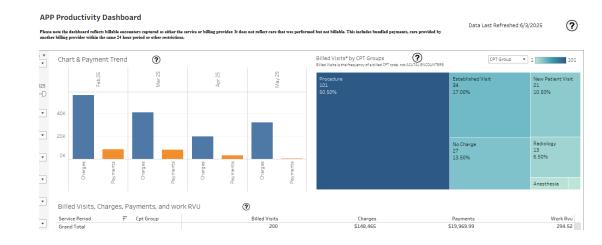
Technology for Program Evaluation



Program and Fellow Evaluations:

- Monthly Bidirectional Evaluations
- Productivity Dashboards
- Fellow and Preceptors
- Exit Interviews at Program Completion
- Annual Site Visits

Fellowship	Year to Date Payments	Year to Date Billed Visits
Trauma	Chg \$19,291 Pmt \$4,831	YTD 77 June 23
NSG	Chg \$141,744 Pmt \$35,197	YTD 321 June 43
Radiology	Chg \$296,956 Pmt \$36,032	YTD 323 June 111
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Glycemic	Chg \$108,717 Pmt \$20,799	YTD 371 June 123
Oncology	Chg \$14,773 Pmt \$2,370	YTD 32 June 3
Orthopedics	Chg \$34,454 Pmt \$6,995	YTD 138 June 18
Neurology	Chg \$17,809 Pmt \$4.514	YTD 64 June 14





Technology for Program Evaluation

Monthly Evaluations:

Focus on Rapid Cycle Quality Improvement

Measurement Outcomes

- Professionalism of the Provider
- Confidence in Critically Analyzing Data
- Quality of Patient Care
- Interpersonal Skills
- Clinical Fund of Knowledge
- Ability to Recognize Limitations
- Clinical Decision Making
- Pairing of questions answered by fellow and preceptor to compare





Technology for Program Evaluation

Fellow Performance Evaluation:

- Advisory board oversight with bidirectional survey outcomes being reported
- Track monthly progression
- Develop and track performance improvement and effectiveness of interventions



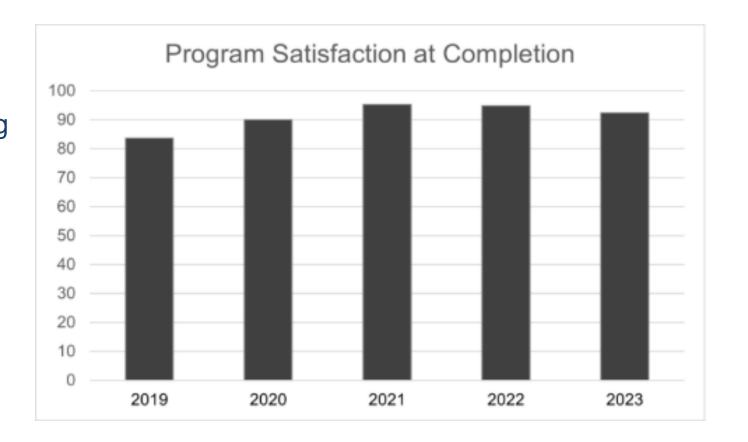


■ Fellow ■ Preceptor

Technology for Program Evaluation

Overall Program Evaluation:

- Fellow satisfaction at program completion
- Surveys allow for trending of programmatic adjustments





Tools in Technology

Early Adoption of Technology:

- Identify work force needs and barriers to technology adoption
- Identify stakeholders and leadership team to spearhead technology development
- Create a business proposal for the need of technology
- Obtain frequent evaluation and feedback of tools being used





Technology Evolution





Questions





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Refreshment Break

Session Two will begin at 2:15pm



Setting the standard for postgraduate training

An Innovative Preceptor Platform and Supporting Your Preceptors

Stephania Dottin, MSN, AGPCNP-C





Ensuring Best Outcomes:

Innovating Preceptor Support and Training in the Digital Era

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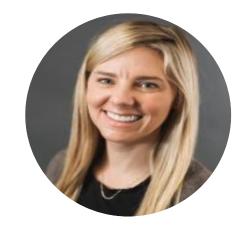
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I own a small amount of equity in CVS Health, which acquired Oak Street Health in April of 2023.

Potential intellectual conflicts: none.

Learning Objectives

At the end of the presentation, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the key components and structure of an innovative virtual precepting model for new graduate nurse practitioner fellows.

1. Identify effective strategies and tools to successfully support preceptors and nurse practitioner fellows in an ever changing healthcare environment.

1. Develop an action plan to implement a virtual precepting model or similar technology within participants' own post graduate training programs.



Agenda

- 1. Introduction to Oak Street Health
- 2. Our NP Fellowship program
- 3. Implementation of Virtual Precepting
- 4. Lessons learned
- 5. Virtual precepting considerations

Introduction to Oak Street Health

- Founded in 2012.
- Network of primary care centers for adults on Medicare, including dual eligible individuals, with a focus on driving value, not volume.
- Innovative care model integrating team-based care with population health analytics and a proprietary suite of workflow applications.
- Fully capitated, risk-based contracts with Medicare Advantage insurance plans to capture the savings earned by keeping our patients healthy.
- Acquired by CVS Health in May 2023





What is value-based healthcare?

What is "value" in healthcare? It's the quality of the outcome, including the experience, divided by the cost.



So, value-based means optimizing value – **creating better outcomes at lower costs.**

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) define value-based care as: "paying for health care services in a manner that directly links performance on cost, quality, and the patient's experience of care."



How we pay for care affects the cost and quality of that care.

230+

Oak Street Health centers with an average capacity for 3,500 patients

~900

Primary care providers delivering care in a value-focused model, with smaller panels

>350k

Patients receiving our care



Why value-based is needed: Complexity of patient population

Age: Median: 69 | Range: 20 – 103 | 23% under 65

Average # of Rx: 7.2

Dual status: 48%

Average income: <\$17,500

Behavioral health diagnosis: >40%

Social factors: >45% with a housing, food, or isolation risk

factor

Reading level: 6th grade average

Languages: Care delivered in more than seven languages

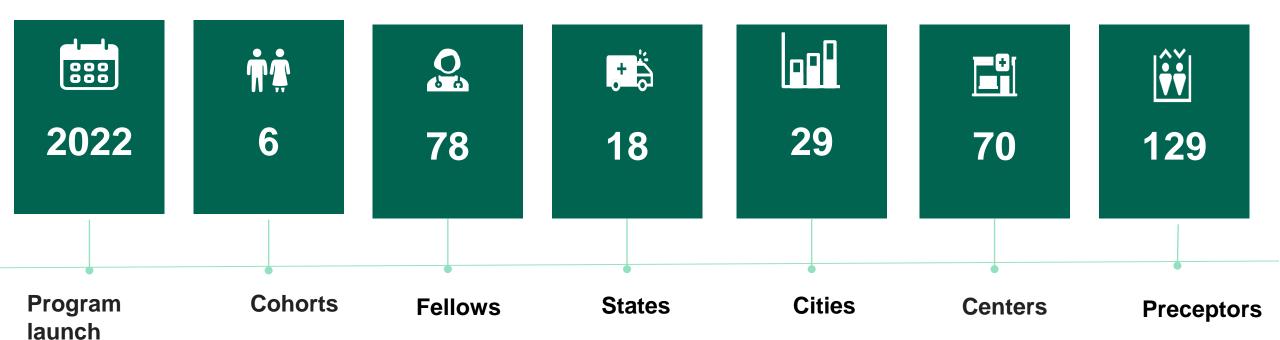


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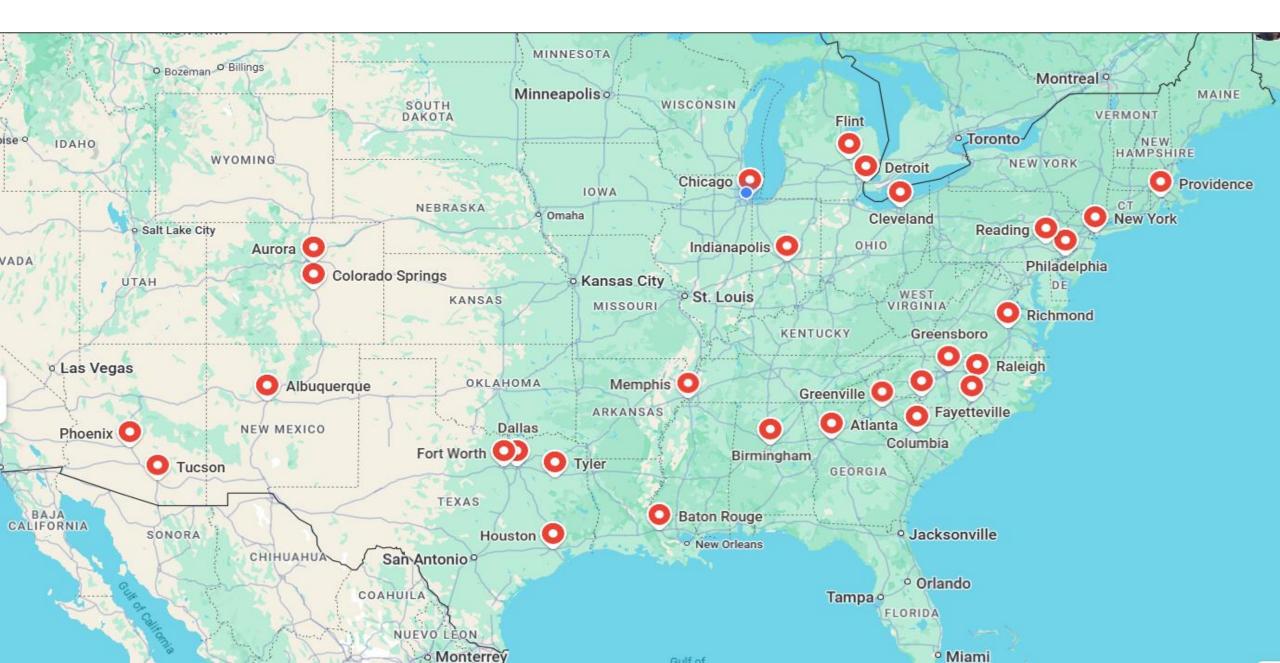
Our Program

The NP Fellowship in Adult Primary Care is a multi-state post graduate training program developed in collaboration with University of Michigan School of Nursing with a focus on mastery of the care of older adults and the value-based care model while facilitating the transition to practice for new graduate nurse practitioners.

Fellowship Snapshot



NP Fellow Placement



Program Elements



Didactic Learning

Fellows have 4 hours of didactic learning on a weekly basis, **2** hours are asynchronous and 2 hours are in live learning sessions with other fellows. We have over 80 different learning topics!



Advising

Fellows will have bi-weekly sessions with a faculty advisor and other fellows in their cohort to support their professional development. Also leveraged for coaching/remediation strategies as needed.





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Fellows work with clinical preceptors throughout the program to support their clinical development. Fellows begin working without a preceptor 1 day a week in month 10 to support their growing independence.

Care Delivery Model

	Continuity clinic	Mentored Clinic
Fellow schedule	Fellow builds their own patient panel and have their own schedule of patients for the day	Fellow sees patients off the preceptors schedule
Method of precepting delivery	Virtual preceptors In person preceptors	In person preceptors
Who signs notes	Fellows	In person preceptors

Preceptor Responsibilities

	Continuity clinic	Mentored Clinic	Virtual
Preceptor responsibilities	Clinic navigation Consultant for in person physical examination Consultant for urgent or emergent patient cases	Primary consultant for patient cases Documentation and coding Value Based Care Model	Daily huddle on continuity clinic days Primary consultant for patient cases on continuity clinic days Documentation/Coding Value Based Care Model

The Why & How of Virtual Precepting

Pre Virtual Precepting Feedback

Fellow

- Variable relationship dynamics with preceptors
- Desire for more on demand consultation from preceptors
 - Due to 1:1 ratio of preceptor to fellow in a center, preceptors are also seeing patients

Fellowship faculty

Limited visibility to fellow progress beyond the fellowship structure

Organization leadership

- Staff turnover
- Limited patient access due to reduced capacity on preceptors' schedule

Why Virtual Precepting?

Develop centralized precepting model

Standardize learning support for fellow

Create visibility into fellow progress and streamline workflow for preceptors

Improve patient access across geographic regions

Virtual Precepting Implementation



Stakeholders



Preceptor selection & training



Operations



Stakeholders

Our stakeholders include:

- Fellows
- Fellowship Faculty
- Local & central clinical leaders
- Local & central operation leaders

Virtual Preceptor Profile

- Frontline provider, not currently in a leadership role
- Able to dedicate a full day a week 8am 5pm without interruption to precepting
- 3+ year tenure at Oak Street
- Demonstrates strong clinical abilities and mastery of value-based care model
- Demonstrates passion for teaching
- Demonstrates a strong, supportive communication style
- Upholds and promotes Oak Street Health values



Preceptor Training

All preceptors attend a virtual 4 hour training which includes:

- Program overview
- Role expectations and responsibilities
- Fellowship evaluation process
- Precepting evidence based practices
- Overview of virtual precepting monitoring tool



Laurie Peercy
Lead Faculty- Precepting

Virtual preceptor support

Support for virtual preceptors include:

- Ongoing learning opportunities
- Individualized support
- Mid-year and end of year evaluation
- Camaraderie with other virtual preceptors



A Day in the Life of a Virtual Preceptor

- Virtual Precepting is provided Monday-Friday 8-5 PM in EST and CST
- Fellow to preceptor ratio is 1:6
- Fellows are required to access virtual precepting for at least 3 cases per session



Review assigned fellow schedule

Participate in morning huddle for assigned fellow



Provide clinical guidance on patient cases and value-based care model

Conduct proactive outreach to engage fellows



Access Productivity tracker to document precepting encounters

Audit fellow notes

The Productivity Tracker



Monitor fellows progress



Streamline virtual preceptor workflow



Promote collaboration between virtual preceptors and fellowship faculty



The productivity tracker is a monitoring tool utilized to complement and enhance the virtual precepting model

Productivity Tracker Demo

Virtual Precepting Technology







Precepting Links

Case consultation

Instant messaging





Productivity tracker

Evaluation

Virtual Precepting Cost



There is no cost associated with the technology of virtual precepting.

Virtual preceptors receive a quarterly stipend similar to in person preceptors.

Fee for service models would need to assess the cost implications of lost patient care time for preceptors.

Virtual preceptor stipend is the only additional direct cost associated with the virtual precepting model.

Benefits of Virtual Precepting

Enhanced clinical development

NP fellows learn from multiple expert clinicians, which strengthens their clinical development and helps with their transition to practice

Expanded support

The fellowship team partners with in person and virtual preceptors to provide individualized support for fellows despite geographic spread

Retention tool

The virtual precepting model expanded the role of 11 frontline providers & reduced burnout risk

Technology

Virtual precepting leverages existing technology to meet program needs

Cost effective

There is overall minimal cost associated with developing the model

Stakeholder satisfaction

Fellows, preceptors and leadership have given positive feedback

	Before Virtual Precepting	After the Introduction of Virtual Precepting
Impact on Preceptor Availability	Time constraints with in person preceptors balancing their own patients' care needs while trying to concurrently support and educate fellows Precepting blocks did not always align with the exact timing fellows may have needed guidance which may have led to delays in care	Guaranteed precepting is available from 8am-5pm in EST & CST Virtual preceptors offer flexibility in timing for case consultations Virtual preceptors create longitudinal relationships with fellows and provide continuity of advising even when in person preceptors are unavailable
Impact on Patient Outcome	In person preceptors had limited capacity to shadow the fellows' huddle and provide effective feedback. Fellowship faculty had limited ability to identify and address fellows' knowledge gaps	Fellows learning experience is standardized across geographic regions Fellows receive consistent information Fellows receive additional feedback on Daily Huddles and note audits
Impact on center workflow	Patient access was impacted due to reduced slots on in person preceptor's schedule. Admin time was often utilized for case discussions and fellow education.	Preceptors schedule slots are unaffected thus improving appointment availability for patients In person preceptors can better balance patient care responsibilities with teaching

"The virtual precepting has had a significant positive impact on my fellowship experience. I feel like this has really increased the support for my clinical decision making and my overall knowledge and critical thinking skills." **NP Fellow**

"Virtual precepting not only takes you away from the daily grind of seeing patients, it more importantly helps you see your why every day. In the process of lifting NP fellows up into their new practice, guiding their lights as unique providers, we ourselves are lifted back to our original selves as NPs, seeing the reason we do this every day. This program has definitely helped me find further joy in my daily life, inside and outside of the clinic." *Virtual preceptor*

"Virtual preceptors provide the nurse practitioner fellows wrap-around support and guidance throughout the day during busy clinic hours, when other providers are also caring for their own patients. Working with a variety of different preceptors allow the NP fellows to experience how to approach each clinical scenario in a unique way, based on the preceptor he/she is working with for that day.and his/her clinical expertise." *Medical Director*

Lessons Learned



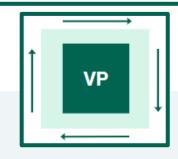
Engagement

As fellows schedules becomes busier, it becomes harder for them to come on the platform to receive real time feedback



Regional difference

Virtual preceptors may have limited insight into specific clinic culture and scope of practice across geographic regions



Process Improvement

Virtual precepting is an iterative process requiring flexibility and ongoing adjustment



Layered support

Virtual precepting is not intended to replace on site support. The goal of virtual precepting is to standardize and enhance fellows learning experience across geographic regions

Considerations for Your Program

- Expand preceptor pool
- Provide layered support for fellows
- Promote visibility into fellows progress
- Create professional development for front line providers
- Improve patient access

- Conduct a need assessment
- Gather feedback from relevant stakeholders
- Pilot with a small group of fellow
- Develop your own version of "The Productivity Tracker"





Thank you!

Q&A

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Final General Session Presentation begins at 3:30pm