

CLINICAL CLERKSHIPS

Clinical clerkships are available at Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton to Navy scholarship program students. Clerkship requests are scheduled on a first come first serve basis, depending on availability. Due to the large number of requests from scholarship students for whom the Navy is required to provide training, we are able to accept clerks only on official AT orders. Clerkships are for 4 weeks.

There is officer housing on the base and you will be given the number to call to book lodging once your clerkship is confirmed. NAVMED-MPT&E will fund 1 rental car per 3-4 students, so carpooling or use of your own personal vehicle, are the only options for transportation.

Once your clerkship request has been confirmed, you will receive a confirmation letter, a clerkship description and additional information about the hospital and Camp Pendleton.

You can email your request to [willamoore@med.navy.mil](mailto:willa.moore@med.navy.mil). Or you can send it via fax 760-725-1101. Include the following information:

1. FULL NAME
2. MAILING ADDRESS
3. EMAIL ADDRESS
4. PHONE NUMBER (CELL AND/OR HOME)
5. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
6. MEDICAL SCHOOL NAME AND ADDRESS
7. YEAR LEVEL AT THE TIME OF THE REQUESTED ROTATION
8. ROTATION DATES REQUESTED
9. ROTATION SPECIALTY REQUESTED: (available 3rd/4th yr elective rotations)
 - Family Practice (only residency program at NHCP. Avail for 3rd yr (core) and 4th year students.)
 - Emergency Medicine (4th year only)
 - General Surgery (4th year only)
 - Orthopedics
 - Radiology
 - Sports Medicine (4th year only during the months of Nov-May)
 - Pediatrics
 - Dermatology

All rotations are elective (no sub-internship).

A NOTE FROM MR. JOE PELOT, PROFESSIONAL & CAREER PLANNING
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Dear GME and Program Coordinators,

I would like to just touch base with you concerning scheduling clerkships for our Navy HPSP Students. Our HPSP students get one clerkship per Fiscal year that runs from 01 October of one year around to 30 September of the next. The current 2010 FY ends 30 September and students have to have completed their rotations and back home by then. They are not allowed to cross over fiscal year lines. Please do not schedule clerkships for our students that cross the 30 September line. Of late we have a student or two that said their clerkship was from mid September through mid October. This is not feasible for our students.

Chapter 5 of our HPSP Student Handbook outlines the rules and regulations for taking Annual Training (AT). It can be found on the front page of our HPSP website found here:

<http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/navmedmpte/accessions/Pages/default.aspx>.

HPSP participants cannot extend an AT period beyond 45 days or split the time between two different Naval Medical facilities. Clerkships are for 28 days. The remaining 17 days of their 45 day period is spent back at school. They can tack that time on the front of their clerkship or after, but cannot combine that time for a full 45 day rotation.

A clinical clerkship is performed at a Naval Hospital or clinic, for which the participant may receive elective credit toward graduation (the participant's school must approve the clerkship for credit). These clerkships are performed by third and fourth year students, generally in preparation for selection for the GME-1 year or active duty assignment. For additional information about these clerkships, please see the Accessions Website page titled "HPSP and FAP Annual Training" located at: <http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/navmedmpte/accessions/Pages/HPSPandFAPAnnualTraining.aspx>.

Additionally, our HPSP students occasionally ask to perform a civilian rotation at a Navy facility to plus-up their time on board when they have no more ATs to use.

This is a pathway for HSCP students too and they are not funded by the HPSP program and must use this process.

This type of rotation is entirely out-of-pocket for the student, they are only authorized civilian attire (no uniform except for short periods while interviewing for internship).

The process requires Navy medical facilities authorizing civilian rotations to have a contract (Memorandum of Understanding) in place between the school and the Navy facility. The contract, or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) covers liability issues of civilian students while in training. If there is already one in place for the particular student's

school, it's only a matter of scheduling the clerkship. If not, the GME Office at the facility should be able to assist the student in getting a contract established. As a side note, because the MOU is a legal document that outlines the liability issues of having a civilian student at the facility, attorneys for both parties have to review the process, and this can take months to get approvals on both sides.

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