

Graduate Medical Education Program Information

Specialty: Diagnostic Radiology

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Mission

The mission of the Navy Medicine Readiness & Training Command (NMRTC) San Diego Diagnostic Radiology Residency Program is to provide the highest quality medical care to the Navy community by developing and graduating broadly trained, clinically capable, board-eligible Diagnostic Radiologists who are prepared to serve in the diverse clinical environments of Navy Medicine. The mission of the residency aligns with the mission of NMRTC San Diego, which is to prepare to deploy in support of operational commitments, deliver quality health services, and shape the future of military medicine through education, training, and research.

Aims

Aim 1: To provide residents with comprehensive training in the full breadth of radiology and to produce graduates that are broadly experienced, capable diagnostic radiologists, and empathetic physicians committed to the best interests of the patient.

Aim 2: To graduate residents that possess the technical expertise and administrative competencies to thrive in the Navy/DoD environment including leading radiation health and safety programs, operating large clinical departments, and demonstrating expertise in personnel and resource management.

Aim 3: To provide for the personal and professional development of residents and faculty who are prepared to serve as health care leaders.

Aim 4: To develop physicians who encourage and lead continuous process evaluation and process improvement, with the ability to refine the methods of delivering safe, quality health care

Aim 5: To promote clinical research and academic achievements that advance the practice of Radiology.

Program Description

- ACGME Fully Accredited: Yes
- Length of Training: 4 Year Program
- Training Complement: Number of Approved Positions: ACGME 28
- Successful completion of an ACGME approved clinical internship is required.

The Diagnostic Radiology Residency is a balanced educational program which offers comprehensive experience with training in all of the techniques and modalities of Diagnostic Radiology. Rotations during residency include Abdominal Radiology, Breast Imaging, Chest Radiology, Interventional Radiology, Musculoskeletal Radiology, Neuroradiology, Nuclear Medicine & Molecular Imaging, Pediatric Radiology, and Ultrasound. Rotations are based on a four week block

Clinical rotation assignments are assigned prior to the start of the academic year and include 13 rotations per academic year. During the PGY-4 (R3) year, residents attend a four-week course given by the American Institute for Radiologic Pathology, a program of the American College of Radiology. The course fulfills the ACGME requirement for a Radiologic-Pathologic correlation course. The course provides a comprehensive review of radiologic imaging and details the radiologic presentation of a broad range of diseases and their pathological basis across all organ systems and imaging modalities. This course is fully funded. Residents are also provided a half day of protected academic time each week to pursue research and scholarly activity. This emphasis on academic achievement, under the direction of faculty mentors, continues to produce numerous invitations to national level meetings and an increased number of invited publications.

Rotations

- PGY-2: Naval Medical Center San Diego
- PGY-3: Naval Medical Center San Diego
- PGY-4: Naval Medical Center San Diego, Rady Children's Hospital, American Institute for Radiologic Pathology
- PGY-5: Naval Medical Center San Diego, Rady Children's Hospital, University of California, San Diego

Academic Curriculum

The academic curriculum is presented as a series of lectures which are conducted daily over the noon hour. The topics are designed to provide a broad background exposure to topics in diagnostic and interventional radiology. The overall didactic experience is tailored to encompass emphasis areas in the American Board of Radiology Core Study Guide. The curriculum is reviewed and updated on an annual basis, based on feedback from the residents. In addition to the noon didactic series, there are a variety of multidisciplinary conferences and tumor boards that add to the overall academic experience.

For information pertaining to compensation and benefits please visit the NMRTC GME Resources website at <https://sandiego.tricare.mil/Graduate-Medical-Education/GME-Programs/Resources-FAQs>
