

# Graduate Medical Education Program Information

**Specialty:** Gastroenterology Fellowship

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## Mission

The Department of Medicine at Naval Medical Center San Diego (NMCS D) is committed to the education of Fellows in Gastroenterology. Our primary mission within the training program is to provide a well-rounded educational experience in the broad fields of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. We are a multifaceted training program that provides fellows with tailored experiences to be leaders in clinical and academic Gastroenterology. The program provides the opportunity for fellows to work and learn in a variety of diverse and unique environments while keeping the Four Aims of the program in mind – Care of the Community, Clinical and Scholastic Excellence, and Professionalism.

## Aims

### Care of the Community

- Graduates of the program are well prepared to begin the practice of Gastroenterology and Hepatology in any environment with the additional capabilities expected of those serving in the armed forces. Fellows will gain a patient-based educational experience that emphasizes diseases and problems common to gastroenterology and hepatology.

### Clinical and Scholastic Excellence

- Our mission is to train superb expert gastroenterologists, scholars, researchers, and irreproachable physician officers who care for patients as family. A NMCS D gastroenterology trained fellow is capable of pursuing careers in clinical practice, academic medicine, research, or health care administration. Outstanding performance as a GI consultant, officer and scholar is the product of mastery of gastroenterology and hepatology, endoscopy, and scholarly discovery. Through self-learning and personal

drive, one-on-one mentorship, and clinical coaching, our fellows learn the prerequisite skills necessary for excellence.

### **Professionalism**

- Our patients' confidence in us is fundamental to our effectiveness as health care providers. Everything we do must be done on the foundation of professionalism. If we fail to gain our patient's respect as professionals, they will not trust our judgement, jeopardizing their care and recovery. Professionalism boils down to six elements: discipline, honor, courage, commitment, competency, skill and emotional intelligence, all of which to some degree will be fostered together as a team. However, growth in each of these elements requires individual desire. Those who succeed at mastery of these elements are impactful clinicians and make exceptional leaders in military medicine.

### **Program Goals**

- It is expected that each physician studying gastroenterology at NMCS D will acquire the ability to:
  - Identify and treat uncommon and rare conditions in gastroenterology and hepatology.
  - The skills to manage patients with diseases and problems common to gastroenterology.
  - The ability to provide acute and comprehensive care to the seriously ill adult in both the inpatient and outpatient settings.
  - Provide accurate, comprehensive, timely, and effective consultative services to anyone calling for gastrointestinal and hepatic specialty care, guidance, or opinion.
  - Utilized therapeutic and diagnostic endoscopy with competence as deemed by the NMCS D GI clinical competence committee utilizing published standards by ACGME and the three GI scientific societies, American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, American College of Gastroenterology, and the American Gastroenterological Association

### **Program Description**

- Accreditation Status: Continued Accreditation Effective Date 01/24/2020
- Length of Training: 3 Years
- Required prior ACGME training and required number of years: One year Internal Medicine Internship and two years Internal Medicine Residency

## Rotations

<b>PGY4 Rotations</b>	<b>Sites</b>	<b>PGY5 Rotations</b>	<b>Sites</b>
Inpt	NMC	Inpt	NMC
Outpatient	NMC	Outpatient	NMC
Endoscopy	NMC	Outpatient Hepatology	Scripps Green
Research	NMC	Endoscopy	NMC
Inpt Hepatology	UCSD	Research	NMC
		HMO Based GI	Kaiser Foundation
		Private Practice GI	Sharp Health Care

<b>PGY6 Rotations</b>	<b>Sites</b>
Inpt / Junior Staff	NMC
Endoscopy	NMC
HMO Based GI	Kaiser Foundation
Outpatient Hepatology	Scripps Green
Private Practice GI	Sharp Health Care
Elective (3 blocks)	

## Academic Curriculum

The academic curriculum is the structural plan for the fellows and is based on the ACGME Cardiology Fellowship Program requirements. The main elements of the curriculum include:

1. Weekly academics conferences
2. Clinical block rotations
3. Endoscopy
4. Junior Staff
5. Kaiser
6. NMRTC Inpatient
7. NMRTC Outpatient
8. Research
9. Scripps Outpatient Hepatology
10. Sharp
11. UCSD

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