



CHRIST HEALTH  
ST VINCENT'S EAST  
FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCY



## Unique Opportunities

### International Missions

- 1 to 4 week elective credit rotations
- Program financial stipend for trip expenses
- Assistance with organization and trip preparation by experienced faculty members
- Past rotation locations include: Central and South America (Honduras, Peru, Venezuela), East and Central Asia (China, Korea, other), West/Central/North Africa (Cameroon, Ghana, Kenya, Ivory Coast, Egypt, other), Caribbean (Haiti, D.R., Cuba); Hurricane relief/disaster management

### Urban Ministries/Service Opportunities

- Partnership with several local ministries: Special training in understanding the challenges and rewards of serving the underserved within an urban setting
- M-Power acute care clinic: Residents volunteer here, working alongside faculty in the only free clinic in Birmingham

### Mentoring & Leadership

- Women in Medicine monthly dinner meetings
- Monthly resident journal club discussing AAFP journal articles at local restaurants
- Involvement in local state and national organizations

### Clinical Outcomes Research

- Multiple opportunities for quality improvement projects regarding patient safety or other areas of interest
- Case studies (various residents submit interesting cases for review and possible publication)
- Scholarly activity research opportunities (collaborations with NIH, AMSA, ABFM, & Alabama clinical therapeutics)

### Sports Medicine Track

- Sponsoring institution for St. Vincent's Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship
- Longitudinal, extracurricular experience over the three years of residency (high school team doctor, after-hours sports clinic)
- Sports medicine rotation

### Pharmacotherapy

- Long-standing partnership with Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy, who provide the program with two pharmacy faculty to assist in both the inpatient and outpatient settings
- Fewer than 30% of family medicine residency programs have clinical pharmacists as part of their program (and we have two!)
- Pharmacy faculty teach noon conferences, work with the medical team on rounds and in clinic, and offer Pharmacotherapy electives to residents allowing them to gain targeted experience in managing complex medication regimens