

GLAUCOMA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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The Glaucoma Fellowship program sponsored by Ronald Frenkel, M.D. F.A.C.S., F.I.C.S of the Eye Research Foundation/East Florida Eye Institute offers comprehensive training in the surgical and medical management of Glaucoma.

The goal of the fellowship program is to produce well-trained glaucoma specialists who want to develop a successful private practice, who also have some experience in applied ophthalmic research. Fellows will work cooperatively in a tutorial capacity under the supervision of Dr. Frenkel to provide direct patient care, to do clinical research, and to learn how to run a private practice. This is accomplished through extensive opportunities for hands-on participation in Glaucoma procedures under supervision in the office. The fellowship program is one or two years of clinical and research activity.

FELLOWSHIP SUPPORT:

Each Glaucoma Service Fellow receives a stipend of \$50,000 per year, and the fellow is eligible for personal health insurance coverage. Family coverage available at an additional cost.

FELLOW SUPERVISION:

Each fellow will be supervised by Ronald Frenkel, M.D., F.A.C.S., F.I.C.S. who was glaucoma fellowship trained at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary/Harvard Medical School, and who has a national and international reputation in the field of Glaucoma. He is a former Voluntary Professor of Ophthalmology at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute, University of Miami School of Medicine.

TIME ALLOCATION

Adult surgical and laser procedures are performed.

The Fellow will spend approximately 3 days in patient care activities and 1 day in clinical research each week. The fellow will participate in new glaucoma drug studies.

Additionally, the Fellow will spend about 1 day per week either in the Operating Room with Dr. Frenkel or doing clinical research.

Fellows will have the opportunity to conduct clinical research with access to computer facilities and the professional advice and guidance of associated physicians, data coordinators, and other staff. The fellow can choose a topic of interest and in the investigation of this topic, will obtain a basic understanding of the clinical research methods involved, and follow the project through until the end of the fellowship.

CURRICULUM:

The fellow will be required to be proficient in the following areas:

1. Forms and treatment of Open Angle Glaucoma.
2. Types and treatment of Angle Closure Glaucoma.
3. Medical treatments for Glaucoma.
4. Laser surgical treatments for management of glaucoma.
5. Surgical management of Open Angle and Narrow Angle forms of glaucoma.
6. MIGS/LIGS
7. Gonioscopy.
8. Optic Nerve imaging and blow flow analysis techniques.
9. New glaucoma drug studies
10. Exposure to medical retina

PRIVATE PRACTICE CURRICULUM:

The fellow will become acquainted with the skills necessary in private practice management.

EVALUATIONS:

Fellows will be evaluated for medical and surgical knowledge and capabilities every quarter by the faculty during that rotation.

VACATION AND MEETING TIME:

The Fellowship includes 6 legal holidays per year and 3 weeks vacation. The fellowship starts July 1, 2019 and ends June 30, 2020. The majority of holidays are observed during the twelve-month period. Vacation time must be planned in cooperation with the other staff members to ensure adequate coverage. The fellow may attend one meeting per year if they author an abstract. Fellows will be reimbursed for travel to meetings up to \$1,000 per academic year.