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Institute for Primary Care Education and Practice

Changing Lives...Changing the Future

Funded by a 3-year grant from The Duke Endowment, the Institute for Primary Care (IPC) strives to set the bar high with the following vision and mission statements :

- **Vision :** To transform primary care by providing innovative professional and interprofessional development experiences for advanced practice nursing, medical and physician assistant students
- **Mission :** To provide outstanding learning opportunities, support and guidance for advanced practice nursing, medical and physician assistant students interested in careers in primary care

We Need YOU....

You want to ensure the best care for your patients throughout your career and their lifetimes. You continuously strive to improve patient care and reduce medical errors. You collaborate through communication, decision-making and teamwork in the care of your patients. You and others in your practice are the role models for the next generation of primary care providers.

You know that the world of primary care is complex and rewarding. You appreciate that what you and your patients teach the students today will impact the health and lives of their patients for years to come. You understand that the time you spend with them will shape their career paths.

You hope they will follow your footsteps into primary care but recognize the distractions are numerous and formidable.

We aim to produce effective, primary care contributors to interprofessional health care teams of the future.

We strive to provide outstanding learning opportunities, support and guidance for advanced practice nursing, medical and physician assistant students who are seriously interested in careers in primary care.

We want to send our finest candidates to your practice.

Join us!



Student Requirements

Fifty students have already applied to become IPC Fellows. They have a strong desire to practice primary care and are enrolled in one of the following programs :

- MUSC
 - College of Medicine
 - College of Nursing
 - Physician Assistant Studies
- USC
 - School of Medicine
 - College of Nursing

We hope you will join us as a preceptor practice. We look forward to your collaboration with us in the development of the next generation of primary care providers for South Carolina.



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Activities and Goals

By bringing together two academic medical centers in South Carolina, the Institute will coordinate its work across interprofessional boundaries. Medical, advanced practice nursing and physician assistant students who have a strong interest in careers in primary care will be invited to join the Institute when they begin their professional education. An interprofessional team of faculty at USC and MUSC will coordinate the work of the Institute.

We invite you to join us as an Institute practice site, to engage in a collaborative learning experience with the students who are selected as Fellows.

The Institute's Student Fellows will:

- Participate in a monthly, longitudinal seminar series that will address a range of engaging topics pertaining to primary care practice and changes in the health care delivery system
- Participate in an annual conference where students, community-based clinicians, and campus faculty will meet to hear engaging presentations and discuss contemporary issues in primary care
- Have an opportunity to experience rotations at premier primary care practices

As an Institute preceptor, you will be able to:

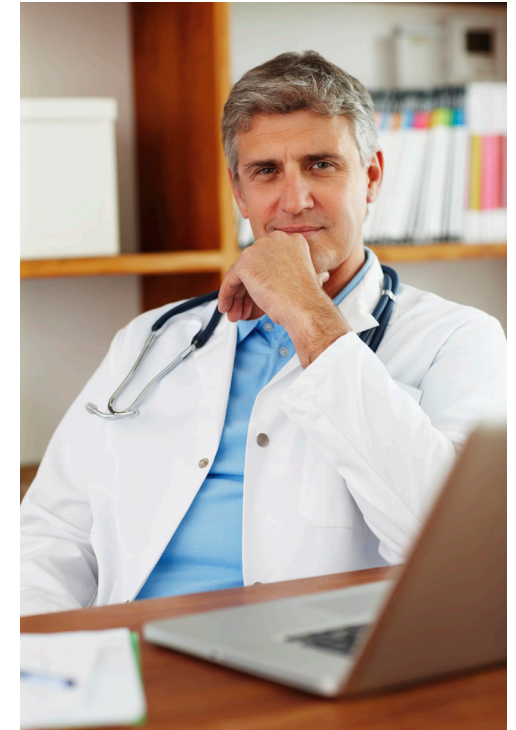
- Play an important role in providing learning opportunities and advancing clinical skills for South Carolina's finest health professional students
- Obtain free continuing education credits during the annual conference
- Participate in the monthly Institute Seminar Series with other IPC preceptors and highly motivated students

What Can We Do For You?

Primary care is evolving, as meaningful use incentives and patient-centered medical homes provide compensation for achieving quality measures and coordinated care. These changes involve leadership and teamwork, educating all staff to practice at the top of their abilities or scope of practice, to effectively provide cost-effective, high quality care.

Using principles of practice development gained through a decade of primary care research within a practice-based research network, our faculty will be:

- Selecting practices for site visits that are interested in further developing interprofessional collaboration and team development in their practice
- Willing to help you establish teamwork goals within your practice to achieve meaningful use of electronic health records (EHR)
- Applying a model for practice improvement that was derived through synthesis of seven national studies that used EHR data to improve primary care practice outcomes
- Willing to assist you with the implementation and evaluation of actions to improve on selected quality measures



For more information about the Institute for Primary Care, visit us online at www.scahec.net/primarycare or contact Dr. David Garr at 843-792-4429 or Cydney Epps at carsoncn@musc.edu

