HCMC General Practice Residency Program Goals

Graduates of HCMC’s General Practice Residency Program will be prepared to:

1. Serve as a primary oral health care professional with improved skill and confidence in providing patient focused emergency and comprehensive oral health care.

2. Serve their community by understanding the oral health needs of a diverse community and by acting as a primary oral health care provider for diverse patient groups including those with special needs.

3. Manage the delivery of oral health care by applying concepts of patient and practice management and quality improvement that are responsive to a dynamic health care environment.

4. Function effectively in a hospital setting, and practice as part of a collaborative multidisciplinary health care team.

5. Apply scientific principles to learning and oral health care. This includes using critical thinking, evidence or outcomes-based clinical decision-making, and technology-based information retrieval systems.

6. Utilize the values of professional ethics, lifelong learning, patient centered care, adaptability, community service and acceptance of cultural diversity in professional practice.

- **Community Service** is defined as providing oral health services to patients who suffer from health disparities: socio-economic and cultural as well as those with mental/medical/physical disabilities.