

## MISSION:

The Family Medicine Residency Program at Transmountain envisions a learning environment developing confident, capable, knowledgeable, engaged and productive family physicians with diagnostic expertise, superb communication and counseling skills, broad procedural skills capable of providing evidence-based medical care to diverse peoples, resource-poor populations as well as city or suburban locations. We seek to alleviate the physician shortage of the El Paso region and surrounding areas and provide a rich border-health and international perspective to residency training.

- Program size: 6/6/6
- Recruiting PGY 1 residents through the Residency Match Process
- Accredited by the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education. Our newly accredited Family Medicine Residency program is set to welcome its inaugural class of residents in July 2022.

ACGME Program #: 1204800727



## FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT US AT:

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## OUR COLLABORATION WITH THE HOSPITALS OF PROVIDENCE:

Success requires teams and partners, and we are fortunate to have collaborated with area hospitals that contribute to our mission. The Hospitals of Providence, successful stewards of health care services in the El Paso community since 1902, is one of our affiliates. In January 2017, The Hospitals of Providence - Transmountain, a 106-bed, full-service hospital in Northwest El Paso, was built as a teaching site for our students and residents. The Transmountain multispecialty clinic, a 100,000-square-foot building adjacent to the hospital, provides high-quality outpatient care. At full capacity, the TTUHSC-El Paso Transmountain location will house 46 physicians and 102 medical residents in the fields of family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, psychiatry, emergency medicine and general surgery.



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## OUR FAMILY RESIDENCY PROGRAM:

Our Program has four pillars of emphasis:

- Training expert diagnosticians with focus on clinical reasoning, differential diagnosis, and cognitive assessments.
- Emphasis on behavioral medicine such as outpatient counseling skills, motivational interviewing, verbal and non-verbal communication skills.
- Outpatient procedural skills such as vasectomy, colposcopy, joint injections and more.
- Social justice and Community Health; we are a Border Region with issues such as human trafficking, immigration and refugee health concerns.

We achieve this through an innovative educational curriculum involving:

- Experiential curriculum-doing with constructive feedback and deliberate practice model of learning.
- Multiple modes of learning opportunities such as Podcasts, animation, practice tests.
- Advanced simulation laboratory for ocular exams, lung and heart sounds, deliveries and more.
- Expert faculty support and guidance.
- Robust outpatient pediatric experience.
- Hospital adult medicine with training by both Family Physicians and Internal Medicine Hospitalists.



## HOW TO APPLY:

The Texas Tech University HSC El Paso - The Hospitals of Providence Transmountain Campus Family Medicine Residency Program participates in the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS®) and will consider only those applicants who apply through the Match process. All applicants will be screened for eligibility and qualified candidates will be offered an interview before the Match deadline.

We apply a comprehensive review of application materials and employ a holistic approach to every applicant's credentials.

### Application Materials:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Recent professional photograph
- Dean's letter from the medical school of graduation.
- Official medical school transcript.
- Copy of the official medical school diploma.
- USMLE or COMLEX scores.
- Three (3) current letters of recommendation from physicians with whom applicant has worked with during applicant's training. At least one letter must be from a currently Board-Certified Family Medicine physician who is thoroughly familiar with applicant's work.
- Personal statement explaining your interest in a newly accredited residency program and in Family Medicine.
- Meet the eligibility requirements for a Physician-In-Training (PIT) permit to practice medicine.
- Applicants must have a valid ECFMG Certificate or be eligible by rank day.

## WHO WE ARE:

### Program Director

**A. Peter Catinella, M.D., MPH**

**Department of Family Medicine**

Medical degree: The University of Arizona College of Medicine.

Dr. Catinella served in many teaching and leadership positions, including residency director, Vice Chair for Clinical Services, and the Chief Medical Information Officer for a health network.

Dr. Catinella has held faculty positions at the University of Arizona-Tucson, the University of Utah, and Indiana University and at Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center.

### Associate Program Director

**Sarah Zate, M.D.**

**Department of Pediatrics**

Medical degree: Tulane University School of Medicine

Dr. Zate completed her residency training at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, Hawaii.

### Core Faculty

**Department of Family Medicine:**

- **Blake Busey, D.O.**  
Medical degree: Western University of HSC of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific
- **Mary Josephine Esparza, D.O.**  
Medical degree: University of North Texas HSC – Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine
- **Ibiye Owei, M.D., MPH**  
Medical degree: University of Ibadan College of Medicine, Nigeria

**Department of Pediatrics:**

- **Leslie Cortes, M.D.**  
Medical degree: De La Salle Health Sciences Institute in Dasmarias City, Cavite Philippines