

SPINAL CORD INJURY

FELLOWSHIP

McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston

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The SCI fellowship provided by the University of Texas McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston and its Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation takes place in the Texas Medical Center (TMC)– the largest medical center in the world. This fellowship program is committed to providing the highest possible quality of inter- disciplinary postgraduate fellowship training.

The Spinal Cord Injury Medicine fellows are exposed to a broad spectrum of clinical

management of spinal cord injury (SCI) including acute trauma and neuro-surgical management, acute rehabilitation, and long-term sustaining care provided at the various training sites. Fellows have ample opportunity to participate in SCI-related research and other academic activities. Fellows spend their time at TIRR Memorial Hermann and Memorial Hermann Hospital TMC as well as at other outpatient sites within the TMC and the Michael E. DeBakey VA SCI unit.

**STRENGTHS OF THE PROGRAM:**

* A good balance of both acute and chronic SCI, VA and academic practice, inpatient (including consults) and outpatient experience, in the settings SCI-professionals typically practice.
* Opportunities to learn from a total of twelve to thirteen actively practicing, subspecialty-certified SCI physicians with varied backgrounds and experiences, for a broad exposure to different practice styles.
* A strong faculty commitment to fellow education, in which the faculty often outnumber the fellows during regular, formal didactics directed at a fellowship-level of training and based on the ABPMR outline for SCIM.
* An opportunity to practice in a free-standing rehabilitation hospital with an SCI center that is internationally recognized for excellence in clinical care and research, is part of the SCI Model System and has recently been designated as a national rehabilitation innovation center.
* Ample opportunity to manage and observe the types of patients and procedures not commonly seen in SCI centers with smaller volumes of patients.

**FELLOWSHIP OPENINGS:** One (1) — Two (2)

**REQUIREMENTS:**

* Completion of an accredited post-doctoral residency program;
* Eligibility for Texas Medical Licensure OR Physician in Training Permit issued by the State of Texas   
   **START DATE:** July 1 **TRAINING PERIOD:** 12 Months

**PRIMARY MENTORS:**

**Isaac Hernandez Jimenez, MD Matthew Davis, MD**

Associate Professor Associate Professor

Fellowship Program Director Medical Director

**Joel Frontera, MD Radha Korupolu, MD, MS**

Associate Professor Associate Professor

Vice Chair of Education Clinical Researcher

**Argyrios Stampas, MD, MS Felicia Skelton, MD**

Associate Professor Associate Professor

**Research Director BCM Dept of PM&R,**

Program Director BCM

**Accreditation:**

ACGME-Subspecialty Accredited

**FUNDING:**

* Craig H. Nielsen Foundation

**FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

* SCIM Fellowship Application Form
* Personal Statement
* Current CV
* USMLE/COMLEX Score reports
* Three Letters of Recommendations
* Copy of Medical School Diploma
* Copy of Residency Diploma (if applicable)
* ECFMG Certificate (if applicable)
* Recent photo (optional, but helpful)
* OPTIONAL: Any relevant documentation that you feel will enhance your completed application

Please access this link <http://www.academyscipro.org/sci-fellowship/> to obtain a copy of the application. Your completed application and all of the above required documents should reach the PM&R Education Offices no later than August 15th .

**Send all documents and correspondence (email preferred) to:**

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**FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION DATES**

June 1 – Begin accepting applications August 1 – Application deadline