

## **WELCOME FROM THE DIRECTORS OF COLORADO'S FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENCIES**

### **Introduction**

We echo Governor Hickenloopers "Welcome" and invitation to learn about the wonders of Colorado and the uniqueness of Colorado's collaborative approach to Family Medicine Residency training. We encourage you to "play" with this website to discover the Quality of Life Colorado offers and the outstanding, patient-centered training afforded by our nine Family Medicine Residencies. Our training programs also include a Rural Training Track and two tracks that focus on training our residents to work in community health centers and other facilities that serve underserved populations. Don't forget to view our video: "Colorado All the Right Moves" a focal point on the Home Page.

### **A few highlights about Family Medicine Residency Training in Colorado follow.**

- Full scope of Family Medicine is offered in each of our nine residencies.
- Our residencies are located in each quadrant of the state: Five programs in metro-Denver and four others in Ft. Collins, Grand Junction, Greeley and Pueblo.
- A collaborative environment allows for curricula and training to remain on the cutting edge, for instance transforming the education and practices in each of the nine residencies into Patient-Centered Medical Home models.
- Within a collaborative framework, each residency maintains its uniqueness so that "There's a residency just for you!"
- Sixty-eight first year positions are available statewide.
- Our residents are graduates of medical schools from across the country—from California and Florida to New York and Maine. The new first-year class represents graduates of 45 US medical schools.
- Historically, 85%-90% of our residents are from medical schools outside of Colorado...And 65%-70% remain to practice in Colorado after graduation—at least a third of these in rural and underserved communities in Colorado.
- The Colorado Health Services Corps manages a strong, generous loan repayment program.
- All of our nine residencies accept the COMLEX, with 25%-30% of our residents being graduates of osteopathic medical schools.
- Colorado's malpractice environment is favorable to Family Medicine and other specialties, within a strong patient-centered approach.

We Family Medicine Residency Directors urge you to join us in Colorado for excellent Family Medicine residency training and a nationally recognized favorable place to live!

Sincerely and with Best Wishes for a Career as a Family Physician,

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