



Cleveland Clinic Internal Medicine Residency Program Schedule Structure

The Cleveland Clinic Internal Medicine program adopted a 4+1 structure to resident schedules in the academic year 2015-2016. The goal of the 4+1 structure is to optimize and maximize our residents' exposure to ambulatory medicine without interfering with training in the inpatient setting. It also creates the unique opportunity to be able to deliver our curriculum in a dedicated manner without interference with clinical duties.

All inpatient, consult and elective rotations are assigned within 4-week blocks called X weeks followed by one week of Internal Medicine longitudinal continuity clinic (LCC) defined as Y week.

The 4+1 schedule structure works for our preliminary track and VA track residents as well. Instead of IM LCC, their Y week consists of an elective rotation.

Structure and rotations during X Weeks

Primary Inpatient:

General Medicine, Cardiology, Hematology/Oncology, Hepatology, Medical Intensive Care Unit and Coronary Intensive Care Unit

Other Core Rotations: ED, Geriatrics, Rheumatology, Neurology, Nephrology

Clinic/Consult:

Cardiology Clinic/Consult, Vascular Medicine Clinic/Consult, Gastroenterology Clinic/Consult, Nephrology Consult, General Medicine Consult, Endocrinology Clinic/Consult, Neurology Clinic/Consult, Pulmonary Clinic/Consult, Rheumatology Clinic/Consult, Geriatrics Clinic/Consult, and Infectious Disease Consult
Elective rotations, Palliative Medicine

All inpatient and consult rotations have an embedded curriculum, with teaching sessions arranged a few times every week by dedicated faculty in that specialty.

Structure of Y week

Categorical residents have one week of longitudinal continuity clinic every 5 weeks.

The preliminary and VA track residents have their elective rotation divided into 1 week blocks at this time.

During the LCC week, categorical residents have

- 6 –½ day Internal Medicine Longitudinal Continuity Clinic (LCC) sessions
- 2 Academic Half Days (AHD) on Monday AM and Tuesday PM
- 1 – ½ day for sub-specialty clinic of choice
- 1 – ½ day for administrative responsibilities and Quality Improvement Projects