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**LSUHSC - Shreveport at Monroe**  
**Family Medicine Residency Program**

Program Director: Eugene Luther, MD

Once again, the LSUHSC Monroe Family Medicine Residency Program is able to announce that our residency filled all 8 PGY-1 openings in this year's Match. We welcome new friends from all over the world, from New Orleans to Nepal and Canada to Cameroon. Our 2018 graduates are moving on to a variety of practice opportunities from coast to coast in the US, and we are pleased to say that our former Chief Resident has been accepted to a geriatrics fellowship at UCLA.

The past academic year has been eventful for our residents. They have represented our program state-wide at multiple events including LAFP meetings, and have presented workshops and posters on a variety of topics. Dr. Eukesh Ranjit was a member of "Team Louisiana" at the 2017 AAFP National Resident and Student Conference. Dr. Emily Davis has been selected to serve as the resident representative on the Louisiana State Medical Society's Governing Board for this year, and attended an Advocacy Summit held in Washington, D.C. in the spring. Dr. Rhiju Poudel has been named a recipient of the Family Medicine Leads Emerging Leader Institute Scholarship (one of only 30 awarded nationally). Multiple residents participated again this year in the LAFP "White Coat Day" at the state capitol, and Dr. Shawna Ogden also served at "Doc of the Day" for the legislative session during the spring session. Needless to say, we are very proud of our residents and their track record of participation and achievement.

Our hospital partner, University Health Conway, successfully negotiated a JCAH site visit in 2017, with excellent results and multiple compliments from the surveyors regarding good preparation and teamwork. Services continue to expand, and we now have outpatient neurology and rheumatology to better serve our patients. We are also looking forward to a new Hybrid Cath Lab/OR, which should be in service later this year.

The Monroe Family Medicine Residency is continuing to build on community partnerships. An ED rotation at St. Francis Medical Center has been a great success according to both sides. An established relationship with the Wellspring Alliance and the ULM College of Pharmacy is also growing to include inter-professional teams providing classes in healthy living for high risk populations in our area. We are continuing to look for ways to better serve our area, and hope for more such partnerships to be forged in the near future.

**Respectfully Submitted,**  
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