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LSUHS Shreveport/Monroe
Family Medicine Residency Program
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News from Monroe is once again very good. Our Match season has ended with eight new recruits filling all our incoming positions for 2024-25. Our diverse group comes to us from India, Nepal, Pakistan and Shreveport, and includes five women and three men. Their experience is impressive and varied, so we anticipate a great mix of knowledge and skill being added to our program.

The graduates of 2024 have chosen a variety of paths. All eight were successful in the ABFM certification exam and have completed their residency training. Five will pursue outpatient practice, two have hospitalist positions, and one is entering a sleep medicine fellowship. Three graduates will be staying in Louisiana. As our 40th class, this group brings our total number of graduates to 251.

Scholarly activity continues to be a focus for us and in the past academic year we have had faculty and residents present lectures and posters at multiple national and regional events. We are exceptionally proud that our representative to the National Conference was elected as the Resident Delegate to the National Board of the Association of Family Medicine Residency Directors. Dr. Ijeoma Amanze has represented her peers well at the national level. In addition, our residents continue a strong academic performance with In-Training Exam scores that were once again above the national mean for all three PGY levels.

An exciting new project is underway, as our program has received approval from the ACGME RCFM to open a Rural Track in association with Franklin Medical Center in Winnsboro. This year we will recruit the first two residents to seize this new opportunity. We are looking forward to partnering with our colleagues in Winnsboro to bring the next generation of rural physicians to our area.

More changes are in place for the curriculum in the next academic year as we move forward to comply with ACGME regulations for expanded elective choices for our residents. We will continue to work to enhance our research and scholarly activity experiences as well. Our growing partnership with the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM) in Monroe promises to be a wonderful educational experience for all students and residents involved.

We are grateful for the continued support of Ochsner LSU Health Monroe Medical Center as our residency “home”. We would also like to express gratitude to the Ouachita Medical Society and the LAFP for providing encouragement and opportunities for our residents to thrive.

Respectfully submitted,
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