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## Fellowship Opportunities:

1. Neuromuscular Medicine Fellowship

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## Neurology Training Program

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## Neurology Training Program

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## Neurology

Neurology is the medical specialty concerned with the diagnosis and treatment of all categories of disease involving the central, peripheral and autonomic nervous system, including their coverings, blood vessels and all effector tissue such as muscle, both in adults and children.

Neurology also includes responsibility for diagnostic consultation, acute and long-term care and rehabilitation of adults and children with neurological disorders.

### Goals and objectives

The fundamental role of the Neurology Training Program is to develop the knowledge and skills required to become a competent clinical neurologist and achieve the required ACGME Milestones. The purpose of this training program is to prepare physicians for the independent practice in clinical neurology by providing a curriculum that helps residents to both achieve and demonstrate competency in the areas of: *“Patient Care, Medical Knowledge, Practice -Base Learning and Improvement, Professionalism, Communications Skills and System-Based Practice”*

## Scope of training

Our program provides four years of graduate education in Neurology. The first year includes a broad clinical experience in general internal medicine.

The next three years of residency, this program is oriented towards a gradual achievement of clinical experiences and responsibilities in the evaluation and management of the diseases of the nervous system. The clinical experiences offer our trainees the opportunity to manage and evaluate patients of different age groups with a diversity of neurological diseases and complications of medical and surgical conditions, all under the close supervision of the Neurology Faculty. The resident is expected to develop an original research project and a Quality Improvement Project. The neurology resident also participates in multiple educational experiences.

### Participating Institutions:

The ACGME accredited Neurology Training Program is affiliated to the four mayor hospitals of the Puerto Rico Medical Center:

- Adults University Hospital
- San Juan Veterans Administration Hospital
- San Juan City Hospital
- Pediatrics University Hospital

## Admission Criteria

- Completion of ERAS application Form
- Enroll in National Residency Matching Program (NRMP)
- Curriculum Vitae and personal statement
- USMLE Steps 1 and 2
- Official copy of medical school transcript
- Official copy of university transcript (premedical studies)
- Official medical School dean’s letter , including medical school rankings.
- Two letters of recommendation from supervising medical faculty

### International Medical Graduates or graduates of non - accredited School of Medicine:

- Same as 1, 2, 3, 7 and 8, as above
- Official copy of premedical and medical school transcript
- Official copy of School of Medicine diploma or title
- Valid ECFMG certificate