For over four decades, the Duluth Family Medicine Residency has been dedicated to educating compassionate, empowered, and skilled family physicians, preparing them to be the foundation of healthy communities. Our physicians will be leaders and innovators. They will focus on service to rural and underserved communities and be fully prepared to provide high-quality care in all settings.

Our two training hospitals are regional referral centers for Northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan. Both sites are within walking distance of our independent community clinic. As the only stand-alone residency program in the Northern Minnesota region, Duluth provides supportive and direct training from multiple specialty groups that value the dedication and aptitude of our family medicine residents.

**What Our Residents Say:**

“Duluth offers exceptional education in my primary areas of interest, which include women’s health, obstetrics, medical education, and rural medicine. I am thrilled to be part of a residency program that is welcoming and encouraging.”

“To know that I would be supported both in my education and as a person was important to me. I am beyond excited to join the Duluth Family Medicine Residency and look forward to exploring and living in such a beautiful, scenic area!”
FAMILY MEDICINE AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

CURRICULUM
High volume, high risk obstetrics and c-section; additional training available
Outstanding adult medicine, critical care (ICU), and pediatrics inpatient experience
Robust, independent family medicine service, including critical care, daily didactics, and patient-centered rounding
Ultrasound didactics and training on-site
Broad elective opportunities adaptable to resident individual interests

FACULTY
Core faculty team: family medicine physicians with wide-ranging and comprehensive rural, international, outpatient, and inpatient experience
Areas of interest include: rural medicine, special needs populations, transgender health care, addiction medicine, women’s health, chronic disease management, emergency medicine, obstetrics, research, and procedures

RESIDENT LIFE
Low cost of living; very few traffic problems
Family-friendly program with annual retreats and social events
Strong cultural community with museums, theaters, rich and diverse history, arts and entertainment
Duluth is Outside Magazine’s “Best Outdoor Town Ever”; four full seasons, access to Lake Superior, 14 nearby state parks, 120 municipal parks, and the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCA)
Moonlighting available in second and third years

COMMUNITY OUTREACH
Emphasis on serving people experiencing unstable housing and/or people with disabilities
Opportunities to work with local addiction and dependency organization; acquire experience in treating patients with Suboxone

CALL
In-house and home call frequency vary by rotation design and educational needs

CLINIC
Duluth Family Medicine Clinic
Recent $1 million renovation to support comprehensive team care
Within walking distance of both hospitals
Integrated care model, including interprofessional education with pharmacists and behaviorist, social worker, nurse educators, coding specialists, and care coordinators
Clinic preceptors from more than 20 regional communities
On-site digital x-ray, state-of-the-art ultrasound, and COLA-certified moderate complexity lab

PATIENT POPULATION
Ethnic and socioeconomically diverse patient population
31% Medicaid, 32% Medicare, 12% private insurance, 4% uninsured

HOSPITALS
Essentia Health-St. Mary’s Medical Center
Region’s largest hospital, featuring a Level II Trauma Center, multiple ICUs, including the region’s only ICU for newborns/children; integrated health system serving community health needs and resources in four states
Brand-new hospital as of July 2023
St. Luke’s Hospital
Region’s first hospital since 1881, featuring a Level II Trauma Center, 14 primary care clinics, and 30 specialty clinics, providing state-of-the-art care and serving three states