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Vice Chair of Emergency Resuscitation and Innovation

Introduction

Harbor-UCLA Medical Center (Harbor-UCLA) is a Level 1 Trauma Center and Level 2 Pediatric Trauma Center in Torrance, California. Harbor-UCLA serves as a crucial Department of Health Services (DHS) safety net hospital for the South Bay region of Los Angeles County, and it boasts a decades-long track record of exceptional care delivery, education, and innovation. The Los Angeles County DHS is the nation's second largest metropolitan health system. The DHS mission is to, "advance the health of our patients and our communities by providing extraordinary care," and its vision is to be, "recognized nationally as a model integrated health system." The Department of Emergency Medicine (DEM) at Harbor-UCLA has approximately 90,000 annual patient visits from a largely underserved population. The DEM has a storied history as one of the nation's first Emergency Medicine residencies, the site of the first formal paramedic training program and has a track record of outstanding training and highly influential faculty contributions in clinical care, education, leadership, and research.

Harbor-UCLA is a key teaching hospital for the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. UCLA consistently ranks as one of the nation's top medical schools and health systems, and its mission is to, "deliver leading-edge patient care, research, education, and community engagement."

Primary Duties

A. Administrative and Educational Duties

The Vice Chair of Emergency Resuscitation and Innovation (ERI) will be a senior leader and member of the executive faculty within the Department of Emergency Medicine (DEM). At the direction of the Chair of the DEM, the Vice Chair of ERI will work closely with DEM faculty, stakeholders throughout Harbor-UCLA Medical Center and LA County DHS, as well as outside policy, operational, government, funding, and academic stakeholders to execute program development, innovation, and implementation and help shape DEM's strategic priorities. The Vice Chair of ERI will leverage the DEM's strong ties with partner agencies while fostering new relationships to expand care delivery, operational efficiency, research, and education. Specifically, the Vice Chair of ERI will focus on developing, implementing, and optimizing programs including but not limited to: prehospital care, community first aid and bystander care, best practices in the immediate resuscitation of critically ill emergency patients, creative delivery of value-based out-of-hospital emergency care, DEM research and project infrastructure, hospital and regional disaster preparedness, and broad educational outreach for prehospital clinicians and the public. The incumbent will supervise DEM Emergency Medical Services (EMS) faculty responsible for EMS medical direction through the hospital's base station, direct other DEM prehospital and disaster functions, and aid in EMS fellow education. The Vice Chair of ERI will coordinate closely with the Vice Chair of Clinical Operations on a variety of DEM patient care issues.

As a full-time faculty member at a premier academic institution with emergency medicine resident and fellow training, and student educational programs, the Vice Chair of ERI will be expected to: attend EM Faculty and DEM Executive Council meetings, pre-hospital care and disaster preparedness meetings, collaborate with the clinical operations leadership and other relevant clinical departments, interview residency applicants, contribute regularly to the residency didactic curriculum, attend DEM conferences, in addition to clinical shift coverage. Additional meetings and duties may be assigned by the Chair. Faculty are expected to dedicate sufficient effort to administrative duties to achieve excellent results.

B. Clinical Duties

The Vice Chair of ERI will provide clinical coverage in the Adult and/or Pediatric Emergency Departments, and will be assigned shifts providing direct patient care, including on nights, weekends, and holidays, according to DEM practices. The shift load may vary, at the discretion of the Chair, based on Department needs. During these clinical shifts, the faculty member will be responsible for the education and supervision of various learners, including medical students, nurse practitioners, resident physicians, fellows, as well as the provision of direct patient care, as appropriate. The faculty member will be expected to evaluate learners.

C. Scholarly and Academic Activities

The Vice Chair will be expected to produce academic and creative work. The creative work may span a variety of areas including original research, quality improvement, health services research, educational research, or policy creation. The incumbent will work with the Chair and research faculty to plan and guide scholarly activities. These efforts should result in peer-reviewed publications that advance knowledge and demonstrate the impact of the faculty member's work.

The Vice Chair of ERI will also be appointed as a non-tenured faculty member in the Department of Emergency Medicine at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. A successful candidate for the Vice Chair position should merit appointment at the rank of Associate Professor or Professor.

Required Qualifications

Faculty candidates must be board certified in Emergency Medicine by either the American Board of Emergency Medicine or the American Board of Osteopathic Emergency Medicine. Emergency Medicine subspecialty training and a graduate degree in a related health services or public health field is preferred. The candidate should possess strong medicine clinical skills, demonstrate excellence and commitment as an educator, and experience and ongoing interest in research and scholarship. The successful candidate for the Vice Chair of ERI position should possess exceptional skills and experience in teamwork and coalition building, program development and implementation, creative work, leadership, funding acquisition and fiscal stewardship, and out of hospital emergency care delivery. A track record of work with government agencies, particularly county EMS agencies and federal government agencies is preferred. Specific subject matter expertise in EMS, critical care, and/or operational medicine is highly desirable.

The County of Los Angeles is an active equal opportunity employer.

Applicants should send a letter of interest and CV to:

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