Welcome to the Internal Medicine Residency Program at the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine. As our program approaches 50 years of training high quality internists, it is my privilege to serve for my 9th year as the program director. We are excited about our educational environment and curriculum. We utilize a 4+2 schedule promoting exceptional well-being, outstanding clinical experiences, and dedicated time and structure for success in research and scholarship. Our graduates have been highly successful in any career path chosen.

Your training will take place at two progressive, tertiary-care medical centers totaling over 1,000 patient beds serving a large geographic area. As a practicing rheumatologist in Sioux Falls, I am continually impressed with the level of expertise I encounter working with my colleagues and team providing care for patients with diverse and complex pathology.

The academic medical school blends very well with the community-style practice model creating an ideal collegial training environment. Our university medical school is the perfect size to provide exceptional opportunities to interact with and teach our medical students. We are small enough for you to facilitate close relationships with your peers and faculty yet large enough to foster any career path. Our graduates commonly match into competitive specialties or continue practice as hospitalists or outpatient primary care doctors, often choosing to practice in South Dakota.

If you are interested in becoming an outstanding internist in a personalized training environment emphasizing education, well-being, and intellectual challenges, then I invite you to explore our program further.

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