



Training in Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition at Boston Children's Hospital



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The Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition at Boston Children's Hospital offers fellowship opportunities, as well as advanced training in nutrition and intestinal rehabilitation. For both the fellowship and the advanced training, completed applications are required.

The Fellowship

The Harvard Medical School Fellowship in Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition is a three-year program that accepts up to five candidates each year. We provide trainees with an in-depth and comprehensive clinical experience, followed by scholarly pursuit under the mentorship of an established investigator.

Our mission

We are dedicated to training future academic leaders who will help advance our field through the pursuit of independent and original areas of scientific inquiry, or through the development of innovative programs within medical education, patient care, quality improvement, and advocacy.

Our fellows have diverse interests and career goals, including:

- Basic science: cell biology, immunology, genetics
- Translational medicine: pharmacology, biomarker development

- Clinical innovation: quality improvement, cost effectiveness
- Medical education: curriculum development, assessment tools

How to apply

We participate in the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) of the Association of American Medical Colleges. Interested applicants should log onto the ERAS site to get more information about the submission process and relevant fees. We encourage diverse candidates to apply.

Foreign Applicants: Most fellows in our program are funded primarily through a training grant provided by the National Institute of Health (NIH), which limits eligibility to applicants with American citizenship or green card status. Foreign applicants can choose to apply through ERAS for highly competitive non-NIH-funded positions in our program, or to secure independent funding from principal investigators in basic or clinical research groups to complete their research training. Foreign applicants interested in the fellowship should be mindful of United States Government regulations surrounding foreign scholars.



For more information, please visit us at:
bostonchildrens.org/Glfellowship

Advanced Training in Nutrition: Fourth Year Nutrition and Intestinal Rehabilitation Fellowship

The Fellowship

The Harvard Medical School Fellowship in Advanced Pediatric Nutrition and Intestinal Rehabilitation is a one-year program that accepts one candidate each year. We provide trainees with an in-depth and comprehensive clinical training experience paired with career and research mentorship.

Our Advanced Nutrition Fellowship is offered to BC/BE pediatric gastroenterologists with specific interests in child nutrition or intestinal failure. This fellowship is for those with an interest in developing expertise in the provision of parenteral and enteral nutrition and the medical management of patients with intestinal failure and short bowel syndrome.

This training year can be personally tailored to the applicant's interests, with an emphasis on core concepts in these domains, including inpatient nutrition management. Preference will be given to those with sustained interest in clinical nutrition, as noted by clinical or research experiences.

This unique one-year commitment will consist of:

- Nine months of clinical training in all elements of pediatric nutrition
- Three months of attending on the inpatient nutrition service

This position also includes weekly independent practice in pediatric gastroenterology. The training provided will meet the general requirements for certification by the National Board of Physician Nutrition Specialists. Broad experience in the ambulatory management of patients with common gastrointestinal and nutritional disorders, endoscopic procedures, and inpatient care of GI patients is required.

Our mission

The Center for Nutrition at Boston Children's Hospital consists of 14 physicians and more than 80 registered dietitians, plus nurses and pharmacists — all dedicated to the provision of safe and effective nutritional care to Boston Children's inpatients and outpatients.

Current strengths of the program include:

- Inpatient parenteral nutrition
- Intestinal failure
- Home parenteral nutrition
- Growth failure

Additionally, the program has collaborations with other Boston Children's specialties, including surgery, cystic fibrosis, obesity and bariatric surgery.

How to apply

Applications open in early spring for a start date the following July (e.g., spring 2027 for start date July 2028). Please keep in mind that applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Interested individuals should send a cover letter, a copy of their curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference no later than June 1, 2027 to:

Sarah Fleet, MD, PNS

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Advanced Training in Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

The Fellowship

Boston Children's offers a one-year advanced fellowship (i.e., a "fourth year") to individuals seeking to enhance their expertise in the clinical care and research of children and young adults with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. The clinical fellowship entails exposure to complex patients with IBD under the supervision of expert clinicians. Additionally, the fellow will receive further training in the interpretation of endoscopic findings, intestinal biopsies, and imaging studies. The research portion of the fellowship is customizable and includes opportunities for both laboratory and clinical research, depending on the fellow's interest. The fellowship provides protected time for the pursuit of scholarly activities.



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Advanced Training in Transplant Hepatology

The Fellowship

The Advanced Hepatology and Transplant Fellowship at Boston Children's Hospital is a one-year ACGME-accredited fellowship open to individuals who will have completed an ACGME-accredited three-year pediatric gastroenterology fellowship.

Training in this program is comprehensive and will include supervision in the management of ambulatory and in-patient care to children and young adults with a broad range of congenital and acquired hepatobiliary disorders. Transplant fellows are also involved in the education and supervision of pediatric gastroenterology fellows. In addition, all fellows spend approximately 40 percent of their time completing a mentored clinical research project. Funding is available to support attendance at regional and national meetings. Fellows will have opportunities for peer education through participation in a curriculum of lectures and conferences offered both at Boston Children's Hospital as well as the adjacent campuses of Harvard Medical School and its affiliate hospitals. A one-month rotation at a local adult hepatology/liver transplant program is required.

Description of the program

One fellow per year will be accepted for participation in this program, which begins in July and ends in June, and salary support will be provided at the level of a fourth-year fellow (PGY7). At the completion of this fellowship, the trainee will be eligible to sit for the American Board of Pediatrics Transplant Hepatology Board examination.

Boston Children's Hospital is the major pediatric teaching facility for Harvard Medical School. The Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition includes more than 80 faculty members and a full panel of GI subspecialty programs. There are five full-time transplant hepatology boards certified/eligible faculty members in the Liver, Multivisceral, Intestine Transplant Program, which is the busiest pediatric liver transplant service in New England.

How to apply

The Harvard Medical School Fellowship in Advanced Transplant Hepatology at Boston Children's Hospital participates in ERAS, the Electronic Residency Application Service of the Association of American Medical Colleges. Interested applicants should log onto the ERAS site to get more information about the submission process and relevant fees. Fellowship applications should include:

- Completed ERAS Common Application Form (CAF)
- At least three (no more than four) letters of recommendation
- Medical school transcript

- Medical Student Performance Evaluation or letter from the dean of your medical school
- Wallet-sized color photograph
- USMLE or ECFMG scores
- Personal statement outlining the reasons for your interest in pursuing a career in pediatric transplant hepatology, as well as your academic plans and research interests. You may also wish to comment on your particular interest(s) in obtaining either physician-scientist and/or clinician-innovator training.
- Updated curriculum vitae



For more information, please feel free to contact

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ABOUT US

Boston Children's Division of Gastroenterology, Hepatology, and Nutrition is ranked among the best in the nation for Pediatric Gastroenterology by both Newsweek and *U.S. News & World Report*. We are at the forefront of major advances in the care and treatment of children with gastrointestinal disorders. We strive to provide a culturally diverse and inclusive environment for our patients, their families and caregivers, and our clinical, research, and administrative teams.

Boston Children's Hospital is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, gender identity, sexual orientation, pregnancy and pregnancy-related condition or any other characteristic protected by law.



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