

3rd Year Residents

CLASS OF 2019 – INTERNAL MEDICINE RESIDENCY PROGRAM



Brandon Bikowski, M.D.

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: I thought the website was really well done. Also, during my interview, it kind of just felt like home.

Future Plans: Hospitalist

Fun Facts: I make a mean cheesecake.



Harshad Chaudhari, M.D.

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: My interview day interactions with everyone was the main reason for me picking the HonorHealth IM Residency and I really liked the vision of Dr. Markus (Program Director).

Future Plans: Would love to be part of academics even after graduation.

Fun Facts: I like the New England Patriots. I like running and hiking. Of course, I love MKSAPs.



Benjamin Lawson, M.D.

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: HonorHealth IM Residency was chosen primarily because of the vast opportunity the program provides and the terrific faculty and administrators.

Future Plans: Gastroenterology fellowship.

Fun Facts: bass guitar, carpentry work, mountain biking, hiking, fishing and table tennis.



Alexis MacDonald, M.D.

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: A well balanced program where clinical and academic education is a top priority and never compromised at the extent of service. A small community hospital where residents share in an existing cooperative and collegial environment. I worked with a multidisciplinary team at the network and institution level to improve patient safety and quality improvement to reduce central line blood stream infections.

Future Plans: Critical Care or Hospitalist medicine. I will be going to Geisinger for critical care fellowship July 1st 2019!

Fun Facts: Traveled to 60 countries and I love a great sunset.

**Ross Petersen, M.D.**

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: Unique experience as a new program gives me opportunity that would otherwise not be available or possible. Staff that believes that learning in medicine can be done in a helpful, thoughtful and professional manner.

Future Plans: Rheumatology.

Fun Facts: Alternative Rock/Punk Rock; Goldfinger, Gaslight Anthem, 311 etc., college football, camping and hiking all over AZ and national parks. The resorts for special occasions! Love Spider-Man, favorite places to eat (a hobby all on its own): La Purisima Bakery, Paradise Valley Burger Co., Mary Coyle Ice Cream or That's Amore Gelato (it's AZ and you need those).

**Rangashree Varadarajan, M.D., MS**

Why HonorHealth IM Residency: This is a dynamic program that emphasizes both professional and personal growth. Teaching is well-structured, opportunities are diverse, and teamwork is a must. There is ongoing development within the program which ensures that it meets the needs of our diverse residents. The icing on the cake is the people at HonorHealth are happy, passionate, and dedicated to their work.

Future Plans: Nephrology fellowship. Academic medicine thereafter.

Fun Facts: Concert violinist and vocalist. Love rescue animals and tacos.