

Clinical Scholars Track

Program Goals and Objectives:

- Foster development of academic leadership skills.
- Develop skills in effective teaching and junior mentorship.
- Enhance networking at a national level.
- Enhance capabilities in study design, drafting of IRB protocols, grant writing and protection of human subjects research, for those interested in becoming an investigator.

Entering the CST:

- **Determine if one of the Clinical Scholars Tracks is of interest to you** by reviewing the CST objectives. See tracks below.
- **Find a project** that you would like to work on during the course of your residency.
- **Choose a mentor** whom you will work closely with for your CST project. You will meet with your mentor twice per year to come up with milestones and goals.

Five Tracks:

- Clinical Research Track
- Education Track
- Global Health Track
- Quality Improvement Track
- Innovation Track

CST Timelines	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Commit to a project and mentor• Draft a timeline and project description• Once you commit to the CST you are eligible for 5 additional academic days and will be expected to present your project to the department, as well as submission of a scholarly work to a peer reviewed journal and/or meeting.	June 30th of first year
Throughout the course of the project you will meet quarterly with your project mentor and biannually with the CST directors.	

Academic Days:

Once enrolled in the CST track a resident can take up to 5 additional academic research days (or 10 half days) throughout the course of residency for their research (meetings with research mentors, to enroll

trial patients, to draft final manuscript, attend a meeting/training course relevant to their CST project). ***Requests for academic days must be submitted via completion of the "CST Day Off Request Form" and email to the chief residents and residency coordinators (Cassie and Kathrina) and approved by the CST mentor (copied on all email communications about academic days) and site director at least 90 days in advance.*** These days cannot be used for other purposes outside of CST, such as a job interview, vacation, or to attend meetings which are not considered relevant to the research project). Up to an additional 5 academic days may be granted for those who apply for and receive mentor approval for unique academic tracks such as the SPECTRUM course, Global Health, Quality Improvement/RITE, Magic Wand, or other.