Children's Hospital Colorado Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program

Children's Hospital Colorado Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program is a two-year, hospital-based program. It is fully accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) until 2021. After satisfactory completion of the 24-month training program residents will receive a Certificate in Pediatric Dentistry and leave with the skills necessary to provide comprehensive oral health care to healthy children as well as children with special health care needs (CSHCN). Certification and registration with the ABPD confer “Board Candidacy” while successful completion of the ABPD examination process confers Diplomate status in the ABPD. We strongly support and encourage the process and outcome of Board Certification.

For all questions regarding the Board certification process, please refer to the ABPD website http://www.abpd.org/.

Application/Admission Information

Residents are accepted into the 24-month program in salaried positions. No provision is made for other than full-time participation in the program, which runs on a July 1st academic calendar. Residents are required to complete the two-week orientation prior to the start of the 24-month program. The program participates in the PASS (Postdoctoral Application Support Service) Program for applicants therefore applicants are expected to follow policies and rules of this entity when applying to this program. Please review the application procedures on the PASS Web site.

http://www.adea.org/dental_education_pathways/Pages/default.aspx

The program also participates in the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program (National Matching Services) sponsored by the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. The applicant must register with the MATCH Program (code number 4113) by completing the Applicant Agreement https://natmatch.com/dentres/ Applicants are expected to follow policies and rules of this entity when applying to this program.

The deadline for PASS application submissions is September 15th of the year preceding matriculation. Our program does not require the ADA Advanced Dental Admissions Test (ADAT), but will accept the scores as part of the candidate application. The supplemental application materials that need to be submitted directly to the program by September 15th are:

1. A recent 2x2 portrait photo sent electronically (JPEG format) to the Program Coordinator
2. An application processing fee of $30.00 (check or money order) made to Children’s Hospital Colorado Dental Center with your full name and PASS ID number in the memo and mailed to the Program Coordinator (address below).

Correspondence regarding application and admissions procedures should be addressed to:

Lindsay Wold, Education Program Coordinator, Pediatric Dentistry Residency Program, Children’s Hospital
Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the following requirements to be considered for admission:
• Fourth year dental student or graduate of an ADA-accredited dental school
• Dental school GPA of 3.2 or higher
• Dental school class rank above the 80th percentile (if recorded)

Selection for the program is based on, but not limited to the following criteria:
▪ Academic grades and class ranking
▪ Evidence of substantial experiences relevant to pediatric dentistry
▪ Other residencies (e.g., GPR, AEGD)
▪ Relevant private practice experience
▪ Externships and volunteer activities including with underserved populations. (e.g., dental missions to developing countries, Special Olympics, service in community health centers)
▪ Letters of recommendation
▪ Personal interview

Both dental students and DDS/DMDs of both genders and all ethnic groups are equally considered in the selection process. Up to 30 final candidates will be considered for the available resident positions and will be personally interviewed.

When applications are complete, selected individuals are contacted for an interview. The ensuing MATCH list is developed by equal vote of all full-time faculty with input from the current 1st year residents.

Once accepted, residents are required to purchase a camera, several books, and other supplies during the first two months of their residency (approximately $2,500). Details will be provided during orientation.