

**HEARTLAND NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS CENTER  
PEDIATRIC MINI-FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM**

The Heartland National Tuberculosis Center (HNTC) is offering Pediatric Clinical Mini-Fellowships targeted to clinicians (physicians, physician assistants, advanced practice nurses) who would benefit from participation in an intensive learning experience in the medical management of Pediatric tuberculosis (TB) patients. Our goal is to share TB clinical expertise and knowledge with clinicians from a variety of settings. The HNTC will strive to meet the individual needs of those clinicians who attend through assessment of their current knowledge and previous experience and matching the attendee's identified learning objectives with appropriate learning activities. The curriculum is flexible and will support fellowship experiences of 2-5 days in duration, based upon the needs of the attendee. HNTC Pediatric Mini-Fellowships will be conducted at the University of Texas-Houston Medical School and Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas. The fellowships will include the opportunity for one-on-one learning experiences with an expert TB physician, and participation in case conferences; opportunities will also be available in laboratory, and outpatient settings. Benefits of participation in these mini-fellowships will include:

1. Experience in the evaluation and management of patients pulmonary and extra-pulmonary TB, latent TB infection, newborn exposure, BCG and case discussions.
2. Experience with patients whose management is complicated by complex psychosocial, economic, and/or ethical issues.
3. Experience in interpreting radiographs of patients with TB.
4. Experience interacting with local and state public health authorities in the control of TB through contact investigation, laboratory and observing Directly Observed Therapy (DOT).
5. Experience in basic TB Mycobacterial Laboratory and/or Research Laboratory using new interferon gamma blood tests for TB.

If you are interested in participating in this unique opportunity, **please complete this application form and return it to HNTC via fax (210) 531-4590.** Upon receipt of your completed application form and approval from your TB Controller, we will contact you regarding your acceptance into the program.

**PROCEDURES:**

1. Complete the application form, ensuring that you have described your experience in caring for TB patients, the specific goals and objectives you hope to achieve during this fellowship, and several possible dates when available to attend.
2. **Return the completed application form to HNTC via fax (210) 531-4590.**
3. Your application will be shared with your TB Controller for prioritization. If selected by your TB Controller for attendance, HNTC will then contact you regarding your acceptance, discuss your specific learning needs and curriculum, and determine duration of the fellowship and dates of attendance.
4. Candidates are expected to cover their expenses.
5. If you have any questions, please contact your TB Controller or HNTC at 1-800-TEX-LUNG.

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**APPLICATION**

Name (Last, First, MI): \_\_\_\_\_

Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional License Number(s)/State(s) Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Ext: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

The best method to contact me is:

E-Mail

Fax

Telephone

Mail

Please describe your experience in caring for persons with tuberculosis:

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What specific goals and objectives do you hope to achieve during this training?

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How will you use the information you gain?

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What dates/weeks are you available to attend?

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of training (minimum of 1 day – maximum of 5 days): \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the modules of interest to you. Your selections will be used in developing the curriculum for your mini-fellowship:

- Overview of TB
- Treatment of TB
  - First-Line TB Medications
  - Second-Line TB Medications
- Unusual Radiographs in TB
- Basic Pediatric radiology
- Extra-pulmonary TB
- Miliary TB
- Complex TB Cases
- Diagnosis and Treatment of LTBI
- BCG Vaccine
- Laboratory Diagnosis of TB
- Outpatient Management of TB
- Pediatric TB Clinic
- Overview of Pediatric TB
- Pediatric Radiology Cases
- Interferon Gamma Research Laboratory
- Pediatric Pathology
- City of Houston Health Department TB Control, CI or DOT field work
- Kim Smith Clinical Case Discussion

Please list any additional needs or interests (please be as specific as possible):

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Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_