

Spectrum Health/Michigan State University
General Surgery Residency

Program Goals

The goal of the SPECTRUM HEALTH/MSU general surgical residency is to prepare the resident to function as a qualified practitioner of surgery at the advanced level of performance expected of a board-certified specialist. This is accomplished through a comprehensive curriculum and evaluation process integrating the ACGME core competencies so that each graduate of the residency:

- a) provides patient care that is effective, appropriate, and compassionate.
- b) demonstrates acquisition and application of knowledge in the biomedical, clinical, epidemiological, and social-behavioral sciences
- c) demonstrates the ability to investigate and evaluate their care of patients, appraises and assimilates scientific evidence, and improve patient care based on constant self-evaluation and life-long learning
- d) demonstrates effective exchange of information and collaboration with patients, their families, and other health professionals across a broad range of socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds
- e) demonstrates a commitment to carrying out professional responsibilities and adherence to ethical principles
- f) demonstrates an awareness of and responsiveness to the larger context and system of health care as well as the ability to effectively utilize resources in the system to provide optimal health care

Following completion of the SPECTRUM HEALTH/MSU general surgery residency, graduates should be well prepared to successfully meet the certifying requirements of the American Board of Surgery, to enter general surgery practice, obtain a competitive fellowship training position, and /or serve as an academic faculty surgeon.