MGH Fellowship in Connective Tissue Diseases

The Department of Dermatology at Massachusetts General Hospital, a flagship teaching hospital of Harvard Medical School, would like to announce a Fellowship in Connective Tissue Diseases. The fellowship is 1 year and is directed at the career development of academic dermatologists in the area of connective tissue diseases. The fellowship is open to board certified or board eligible dermatologists only. The fellow will have 70% protected academic time to undertake clinical research projects aligned with their interests and expand their knowledge of connective tissue diseases through targeted education. Fellows will also have the opportunity to participate in the management of patients in the MGH Connective Tissue Diseases Clinic every week to increase their knowledge of these disease states and to help drive research questions. This clinic is a combined care and teaching effort between the Departments of Dermatology and Rheumatology at MGH and is staffed by attendings from both departments. Fellows will also have the benefit of an independent dermatology clinic which will serve to maintain their general dermatology clinical skills. In addition to research opportunities from direct clinical interaction fellows will have access to the partners-wide clinical database for research and are able to participate in courses from the MGH Clinical research unit to build their research skills.

The fellowship is mentored by Dr Gideon Smith, the Director of the MGH Connective Tissue Diseases Clinic. Additional clinical time, dependent on fellow interest can be provided in rheumatology for joint exam and ultrasound, the PFT lab or radiology for CT and MRI for further understanding of these important areas of disease evaluation. During the year the fellow will also have the opportunity to participate in didactic lectures with the rheumatology fellows and dermatology residents, present at conference, prepare papers, and practice clinical dermatology in this patient subset under the supervision of Dr Smith. As the fellow advances they will assume greater responsibility for managing sick patients in the Connective Tissue Diseases clinic and have greater independence. The goal of the fellowship is in the production of publishable academic contributions. Salary and benefits are commensurate with the fellow's PGY level.

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