

Dear Applicant,

We were delighted to have the opportunity to meet you during your interview with Community Health Care Family Medicine Residency. We hope your experience with us was both informative and welcoming.

We are writing to share an important update regarding the upcoming academic year. Our inpatient training sites for both Family Medicine and Obstetrics will be undergoing transitions. VMFH St. Joseph Medical Center, our current inpatient hospital partner, has notified us that they will be terminating the affiliation agreement with CHC and will no longer support non--VMFH learners effective July 1, 2026. This change has prompted us to explore new pathways for these two curricula.

We are actively engaging with several hospital systems in our region to identify strong alternatives. While no final agreements have been reached yet, our commitment remains unwavering: to provide a comprehensive and exceptional full-spectrum- family medicine education.

If you would like to hear our residents' perspectives on how this transition may shape their training experience, they are available to speak with you or connect via email.

As Program Director, I remain committed to transparency, communication, and availability throughout this process. We will continue to offer regular updates on our residency website, share written communications, and I will provide opportunities to meet with you personally through Thalamus virtual office hours.

Although change can be challenging, we also view this moment as an opportunity—to modernize our curriculum, develop innovative learning experiences, and seek partnerships with hospital systems that deeply value education and community service for years to come.

If you have any questions or concerns as you finalize your rank list, please do not hesitate to reach out. We are always happy to talk with you. We sincerely hope you will continue to consider Community Health Care as a place to grow, learn, and build your foundation as a family physician. We look forward to the possibility of working with you in the future.

Regards,



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