Program Overview

- **Faculty**
  - 19 full time Urology faculty members
  - 4 full time non-Urology faculty members

- **Fellows**
  - 1-2 Pediatric Urology fellows
  - 1 Andrology/Infertility fellow

- **10 Physician extenders**
  - 7 Physician assistants
  - 3 Nurse practitioners

- **Medical education specialists**
  - Administrative (Tammy)
  - Education (Catie)
Program Overview (con’t)

- 3 residents/year
- 5 year of Urology (incl 9 months of General Surgery)

- All Urologic subspecialties represented by 2+ providers
  - Oncology
  - Pediatric Urology
  - Infertility and Andrology
  - Reconstruction
  - Female Urology
  - Male and Female Sexual Dysfunction
  - Stones and Endourology
  - Robotics
  - General Urology
Affiliated Institutions

- 5 MCW Affiliated Hospitals (MCWAH)
  - Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital (FMLH)
  - Zablocki VA Medical Center (VAMC)
  - Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin (CHW)
  - Community Memorial Hospital (CMH)
  - St. Josephs West Bend Hospital (SJWB)

- 5 Urology Services
  - FMLH oncology
  - FMLH non-oncology
  - VA Hospital
  - Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
  - Community rotation SJWB/CMH

- Full 10 year accreditation without any citations
Case Volume

- 2018-19 MCW chief residents averaged 1,668 cases (73rd percentile) including:
  - 100 – 120 prostatectomies/chief
  - 50 – 60 cystectomies/chief
  - 60 – 100 male reconstructive surgeries/chief
  - 50 – 75 hypospadias repairs/chief
  - 160 – 225 robotic surgeries/chief

- National average – approx. 1,250 cases
ABU Qualifying Examination

- American Board of Urology exam (Part 1)
- Taken at completion of residency

- 100% pass rate for all graduating residents (1999 – present)
MCW Conferences

- **Monday (weekly)**
  - Resident run Campbell’s conference

- **Wednesday (weekly)**
  - Pre-operative conference

- **Thursday (rotating weekly)**
  - Pediatric Urology conference
  - Radiology
  - Morbidity and mortality
  - Journal club

- **Friday (rotating weekly)**
  - Grand rounds
  - Tumor board
  - Pathology
  - Research conference
  - Didactic faculty lectures
Outside Conferences

- All years (PGY 2 - 5)
  - Wisconsin Urologic Society
- PGY 4
  - AUA
- PGY 5
  - Board review course
- Others based on abstract acceptance and logistics
  - North Central Section AUA
  - AUA
  - Specialty meetings (Women in Urology, ICS, ASRM, WCE, etc.)
Research

- Most residents have multiple ongoing clinical projects in varied degrees of completion
- 1 month of dedicated research during PGY-3 year
- All residents present a project at the annual Wisconsin Urologic meeting
- Require 1 submitted manuscript (1st author) prior to graduation
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**Gen Surg**: General Surgery services at Froedtert Hospital, VA or community hospitals

**PR&S**: Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Froedtert Hospital

**URO**: Adult Non-Oncology Urology service at Froedtert Hospital

**URO-Onc**: Adult Urologic Oncology service at Froedtert Hospital

**URO-VA**: Adult Urology Service at Zablocki VA Hospital

**Peds URO**: Pediatric Urology service at Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin

**Comm**: Community Urology rotation at St. Joseph’s Hospital (West Bend) and Community Memorial Hospital

**Res**: Research Rotation

**Elective**: Subspecialty Urology elective
Rotations

- PGY 1
  - 9 months of Surgery
    - General
    - Pediatric
    - Vascular
    - Trauma
    - Plastics and Reconstructive
  - 3 months of Urology
    - FMLH
    - VA
Rotations (con’t)

- PGY 2 (12 months of Urology)
  - Adult Urology at FMLH (6 months)
    - Urologic oncology
    - Non-oncology
    - Urodynamics/prostate MRI fusion biopsies
  - Pediatric Urology (4 months)
  - VAMC (2 months)
Rotations (con’t)

- PGY 3 (12 months of Urology)
  - Adult Urology at FMLH (7 months)
    - Urologic oncology
    - Non-oncology
  - VAMC (4 months)
  - Research (1 month)
Rotations (con’t)

- PGY 4 (12 months of Urology)
  - Pediatric Urology (4 months, chief resident)
  - Adult Urology at FMLH (4 months)
    - Urologic oncology
    - Specialty elective
  - Community Urology (4 months, chief resident)
Rotations (con’t)

- PGY 5 (12 months of Urology)
  - VAMC (4 months, chief resident)
  - Adult Urology at FMLH (4 months, chief resident, Urologic oncology)
  - Adult Urology at FMLH (4 months, chief resident, non-oncology)
Optional Unique Opportunities

- Adult Urology Missions
  - Honduras
  - International Volunteers in Urology (IVU)
- Richard Bourne Award – 2-week educational experience at an outside institution
- Dedicated urodynamics/prostate biopsies with MRI fusion training
- PGY-4 specialty Urology elective
- Community Urology rotation
Optional Unique Opportunities (con’t)

- Saturday Clinic for the Uninsured
- Milwaukee Academy of Science (a local STEM school)
- Vasectomies at Planned Parenthood
Upcoming Changes

- Expansion of general Urology practice
- **Neurourology clinic at VA**
- Female Urology clinic at VA
Why MCW?

- Department of Urology, NOT a division of Surgery
- One of largest VA hospitals in the Midwest
- Free standing pediatric hospital with a strong pediatric urology experience
- All urological subspecialties covered
Why MCW? (con’t)

- Strong departmental leadership
- Academic and community rotations
- Unique educational opportunities not offered at other training programs
- Robust open, microscopic and robotic surgical experiences
- Familial and collegial atmosphere
Former Residents - Where Are They Now? (‘08 – ’20)

- ½ Private practice
- ½ Fellowships/academic medicine
  - Oncology
  - Infertility
  - BPH
  - Sexual dysfunction
  - Lap/Robotics/Endourology
  - Pediatric urology
  - Reconstruction

Fellowship institutions:
- U Chicago, WashU, Virginia Mason, UIC, Cleveland Clinic, MCW/CHW, Indiana, Boston Children’s, UConn, Children’s National, Colorado, Memorial Sloan Kettering

Faculty positions:
- Johns Hopkins, WashU, Michigan, Scott & White, Iowa, Kansas, MCW/CHW, Children’s National, UT-Chatt, Geisinger
## MCW Salary 2020-2021

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- PLUS – additional $1,500/year to cover licensing and fees
- 3 weeks of paid vacation
- MCW is usually 2-3K above the national average
FAQs

- **Parking** – Free, on-site
- **Meals** – On call meal vouchers are provided
- **Call** – Home call (Urology)
- **Night float** – Gen. surgery only (no Urology night float)
- **Vacations** – 3 weeks/year
- **Housing** – Most residents buy or rent within 15 miles of the hospital
- **Gym** – Discounted gym memberships available at the Wisconsin Athletic Club (WAC) [www.thewac.com](http://www.thewac.com)
Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns

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