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## **Lone Star Family Health Center Welcomes Conroe Family Medicine Residents**

**CONROE, TEXAS** – Each year, Lone Star Family Health Center says goodbye to 10 residents and welcomes another 10 into the Conroe Family Medicine Residency Program (CFMR).

CFMR is program operated by Lone Star Family Health Center in partnership with HCA Houston Healthcare Conroe and Conroe Medical Education Foundation continuing its history of educating physicians in a community-based environment and addressing the looming family medicine physician shortage. CFMR program began in 1979, has graduated over 260 residents since inception and is fully accredited by the accreditation council of graduate medical education (ACGME).

“This time of year comes with mixed emotions,” said Dr. Lata Joshi, M.D, program director of Conroe Family Medicine Residency. “As their training comes to an end it is bittersweet, yet exciting to watch their professional medical journey begin.”

Resident physicians receive full spectrum “hands-on” training in a congenial and collegial environment and learn to deliver cost-effective treatment while integrating the most advanced concepts in the medical field.

Welcomed into the program are Chelsey Abraham, M.D., Amanda Chau, O.D., Alexis Cruz, M.D., Rachel Dockery, M.D., George Downham, O.D., Alyssa Ellerbrock, M.D., Kyle Johnson, M.D., Tana Nieto, M.D., Phillip Simpson, M.D. and Risheng Ye, M.D.

“It is very important for us to seek out resident physicians (or trainees) with local ties to our community so that we are more likely to produce well trained physicians that stay and practice in Montgomery and surrounding counties,” said Joshi.

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Founded in 2002, Lone Star Family Health Center is a full-service, state-of-the-art Federally Qualified Health Center and nonprofit 501(c)3. The health center's mission is to provide compassionate, affordable healthcare and prepare tomorrow's family medicine professionals. Primary care services are offered across five clinic locations in Montgomery and Walker counties including Conroe, Willis, Spring, Grangerland and Huntsville. The health center accepts most insurance including Medicaid, CHIP and Medicare plans. Additionally, there are low cost, self-pay options and a sliding fee scale with eligibility. To learn more, visit [www.lonestarfamilly.org](http://www.lonestarfamilly.org) or find us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and YouTube.