



LEADERSHIP EDUCATION IN NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES: The Maine LEND Program

We are pleased to offer a **42 hour individualized “mini-fellowship” CME program** for practicing physicians, physician assistants and nurse practitioners in pediatrics and family medicine, based in the Division of Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics of Maine Medical Partners (MMP DBPeds). This fellowship is part of The Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) Program at the University of New England and Maine Medical Center. The Maine LEND Program has the goal of providing training in developmental disabilities for professionals in a range of fields.

“Mini-fellowship” applicants should be interested in becoming resource for developmental and behavioral care within their own primary care practice group, and in serving as a liaison with behavioral health professionals.

Mini-fellowship Goals include:

- To increase ability to diagnose and treat children with ADHD, including medication management and behavioral guidance
- To improve ability to screen for/recognize autism spectrum disorders, review diagnostic criteria and make appropriate referrals for further assessment
- To increase knowledge of cognitive disabilities (intellectual disability and LD) including ability to read and interpret psychological and educational assessments
- To increase knowledge of community resources and strategies for interfacing with school and community agencies
- To be able to help families with behavioral issues including toilet-training, sleep, tantrums, etc

Mini-fellowship Curriculum:

The curriculum will be individualized to meet the needs of each participant but will include

- Individual didactic sessions
 - Attendance at clinical care sessions at MMP DBPeds with 1:1 interaction with DBPeds faculty
 - Other clinical and community experiences as relevant to each trainee
- The LEND Pediatric mini-fellowship involves a commitment 42 hours of time with the schedule individualized to each participant, but with a minimum of ½ to one full day per week.

Stipend: \$1000, and 42 hours of Category 1 CME credit

Maine Medical Center is accredited by the Maine Medical Association’s Committee on Continuing Medical Education (CME) to physicians.

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