

**PROGRAM NAME**

**CASPR # 0338**

820 S Damen Ave  
Attn: Podiatry  
Chicago, IL 60612

**CRIP** Section 1

Rescue Fund Insured: Yes

**DIRECTOR**

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**Entry Level Positions**

Type	# Approved	# Active
PMSR/RRA	3	2

**HOSPITAL DESCRIPTION**

**Accreditation:** JCAHO      **Has Clerkship Program:** yes  
**# Staff DPMS:** 10  
**Affiliated Institutions:** University of Illinois, Northwestern University, Bollingbrook Hospital, Ingall's Memorial Hospital, Physicians Surgery Care Center, Advocate South Suburban  
**Other Residency Programs:** Medicine, Urology, Surgery, Radiology, Infectious Disease, Anesthesiology, Vascular Surgery, Ophthalmology, Rehabilitation, Rheumatology, Plastic surgery

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCES**

<b>Anesthesiology:</b> yes	<b>Internal Medicine:</b> yes	<b>Pathology/Lab:</b> yes	<b>Rehabilitation:</b> yes
<b>Behavioral Science:</b> yes	<b>Infectious Disease:</b> yes	<b>Pediatrics:</b> yes	<b>Rheumatology:</b> yes
<b>Dermatology:</b> yes	<b>Neurology:</b> yes	<b>Plastic Surgery:</b> yes	<b>Surgery (General):</b> yes
<b>Diabetic Wound Care:</b> yes	<b>Orthopedics:</b> yes	<b>Podiatry:</b> yes	<b>Trauma:</b> yes
<b>Emergency Room:</b> yes	<b>Office Rotations:</b> yes	<b>Podiatry (Surgery):</b> yes	<b>Vascular Surgery:</b> yes
<b>Family Practice:</b> no	<b>Outpatient Clinic:</b> yes	<b>Radiology:</b> yes	

**Other Clinical Experiences:** Wound Care and Limb Salvage  
Pediatric Orthopedics Clinical Rotation

**Program Emphasis:** A well rounded clinical and surgical exposure including limb salvage and complex foot & ankle reconstruction.

**DIDACTIC PROGRAM**

<b>Grand Rounds:</b> yes	<b>Research:</b> yes	<b>Book Club:</b> yes
<b>Journal Club:</b> yes		<b>Lecture Series:</b> yes

**RESIDENT BENEFITS**

<b>Stipends:</b> PMSR/RRA: \$49,566/ \$52,312/ \$55,765	<b>CME Allowance:</b> no	<b>Housing:</b> no	<b>Uniforms:</b> yes
	<b>Health Insurance:</b> yes	<b>Meals:</b> no	<b>Vacation:</b> yes
	<b>Malpractice Insurance:</b> yes	<b>Sick Leave:</b> yes	

**Other Resident Benefits:**

**APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS**

**Mail Additional Materials To:**

820 S Damen Ave  
Attn: Dept of Podiatric Surgery  
Chicago, IL 60612

<b>ACLS:</b> no	<b>CPR:</b> yes	<b>Clerkship Required:</b> no
<b>APMLE Pt III:</b> No	<b>State License 1st yr:</b> temporary	<b>Minimum GPA:</b> no
<b>Program Fee:</b> \$0.00	<b>Fee Refundable:</b> n/a	<b>Minimum Rank:</b> no

**Deadline:** 11/7/2018

**Payable To:** n/a

**Other Applicant Requirements:** Must have registered with Selective Services, Background checks and Drug Screening required. Visitation and/or clerkship rotation strongly encouraged. CV

**AVAILABLE RESOURCES**

**Sample Contract:** Contact Program      **Benefit Package:** Contact Program      **Curriculum:** Contact Program

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

This is one of the premier surgical residency programs in the country with more awards won at the National Post-Graduate Research Forum than any other program. Research is an important part of our program. Many of our faculty are nationally recognized for their contributions to the field of Podiatry. Many of our faculty are frequently involved in complex cases including nerve decompression, charcot reconstruction, trauma, joint replacement, and external fixation. Members of our faculty extensively lecture throughout the United States and some even worldwide. The base hospital of this program offers a very busy, resident-run clinic with access to a significant amount of complex pathologies where our faculty encourages a profound understanding of both conservative and surgical approaches to these pathologies. This is a rare and excellent program with the diversity to give residents competence in everything from pediatric care to charcot reconstruction to ankle replacement, all under the guidance and mentorship of an accomplished and reputable faculty.