

## Saint Joseph Internal Medicine Residency Program

### **Aaron Calderon, MD, FACP, SFHM, Program Director**



Dr. Calderon is Academic Chair of the Department of Internal Medicine and Program Director of the Internal Medicine Residency at Saint Joseph Hospital. A native New Yorker, he began his academic career on the faculty of Columbia University College of Physicians & Surgeons before relocating to Colorado in 2002. Since joining Saint Joseph Hospital, he has become a respected physician educator and academic leader dedicated to advancing medical education and patient care.

Dr. Calderon is passionate about preparing the next generation of physicians to deliver exceptional, evidence-based, patient-centered care. His academic interests include clinical reasoning, bedside ultrasound, procedural medicine, preventive medicine, evidence-based medicine, simulation-based education, and physician mentorship. Throughout his career, he has been recognized repeatedly for excellence in teaching residents and medical students.

At Saint Joseph Hospital, Dr. Calderon has led numerous innovations in graduate medical education, including founding the hospital's GME Simulation and Procedural Skills Lab, serving as Founding Chair of the GME Simulation Steering Committee, and developing procedural training programs that have become integral components of resident education.

Nationally, Dr. Calderon serves as Deputy Editor of [NEJM Clinician](#) after nearly two decades as an editor with the NEJM Group. He is also a longtime faculty member and Director of the American College of Physicians' Ultrasound-Guided Thoracentesis Workshop, and Co-Director of the [MedStudy Internal Medicine Certification Board Review Course](#). His scholarly work includes numerous publications and clinical reviews focused on hospital medicine, bedside procedures, and evidence-based practice.

Dr. Calderon is a Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and an Adjunct Professor of Medicine at Rocky Vista University. His expertise has been recognized internationally through visiting professorships at Weill Cornell Medicine–Qatar and Shimane University in Japan. He earned his medical degree from the State University of New York Health Science Center at Brooklyn (Downstate) and completed a combined Internal Medicine residency at New York Hospital–Cornell Medical Center and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. Dr. Calderon remains committed to mentoring future physician leaders while advancing excellence in clinical education, innovation, and patient care.

### **Richard Miranda, MD, FACP, Associate Program Director**



A Colorado Native, Dr. Miranda joined our group in October 2014. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and completed his residency in Internal Medicine/Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine. Since completing residency, Dr. Miranda has been extensively involved with medical education and clinical care. He is committed to providing the optimal clinical and educational experience for residents and students, with a focus on delivering the best care possible for patients, especially those in underserved communities.

Dr. Miranda has received multiple awards for his teaching, including the University of Colorado Medical Student Teacher of the Year in the Department of Internal Medicine and the Clinician-Educator of the Year for the Mountain West Region of the Society of General Internal Medicine. He serves as a peer reviewer for the American Journal of Preventive Medicine and American College of Physicians MKSAP. He previously served as team lead for the Doctor's Dilemma Writing Group. He is Clinical Professor of Medicine at Intermountain and the University of Colorado.

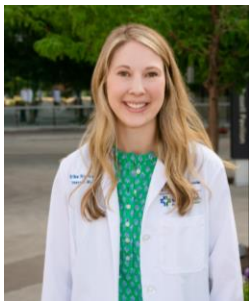
Dr. Miranda has also been actively involved in the local Chapter of the ACP, he was the recipient of the Chapter Laureate award in 2024. He also currently serves as the Chair for the Resident Fellow Committee and was the inaugural Chapter Wellness Co-Chair. His dedication to community activities, especially supporting the underserved, earned him the 5280 Magazine Editors Choice Top Humanitarian award in 2004. In his spare time, he enjoys grilling, fly-fishing, and tennis.

## **Stephanie Amend, MD, PhD, Co-Director Inpatient Service**



Dr. Amend completed an MD/PhD program at the University of Colorado in 2006. Her graduate degree is in microbiology and immunology. She went on to complete an anesthesia residency also at the University of Colorado in 2010 but after working in private practice for 2 years she was longing for a career change and joined the medicine residency at St. Joseph Hospital in 2012. She has been a hospitalist in Denver, primarily at St. Joseph Hospital, for the last 10 years where she worked closely with residents and faculty. She has now joined the faculty where she will continue to work with residents teaching on the inpatient services, mentoring hospital-based quality improvement projects, administering the ICU preparation course, lecturing, and providing mentorship. Dr. Amend is a strong advocate for resident wellness and wants to ensure residents have not only strong education but also a supportive environment in which they learn and grow. She is currently the Department of Medicine Chair and serves on MEC. When not in the hospital she enjoys hiking with her husband and dog, Chester.

## **Erika Hinricher, DO, Director of Medical Student Services**



Dr. Hinricher was raised in Colorado and ventured to the wonderful state of Washington for undergraduate. She returned to Colorado to attend Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine where she earned her D.O. degree in 2021. She then completed her internal medicine residency at Saint Joseph Hospital and joined the faculty full-time in 2024.

As Director of Medical Student Services, Dr. Hinricher directs the internal medicine student clerkships, including third year clerkships and acting internships on the wards and in the ICU. She is also active in the ambulatory clinic through attending and lecturing. Professionally, Dr. Hinricher has a special interest in serving the underserved, wellness, medical education, and women in medicine. When not in the hospital or clinic, she enjoys spending time with her husband, two young children, and Vizsla in the mountains of Colorado, hiking, fly fishing, and camping with their pop-up camper.

## **Michael Morton, MD, FACP, Director of Hospital Medicine**



A graduate of Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Dr. Morton completed his Internal Medicine Residency at Saint Joseph Hospital, where he also served as Chief Resident. After spending five years in private practice in Manchester, New Hampshire, he returned to Saint Joseph Hospital as Director of Inpatient Services.

Dr. Morton is an Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine for both the University of Colorado School of Medicine and Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is extensively involved in teaching on the inpatient services, acting as Medical Director for the Faculty Inpatient Team, administering inpatient rotations, coordinating procedures courses in the Simulation Lab, and developing and mentoring hospital-based quality projects for our residents. Dr. Morton also serves as the Director of Hospital Medicine for National Jewish Health - Saint Joseph Hospital, coordinating efforts between the hospital and the Hospital Medicine groups to improve patient care, quality, and safety. Dr. Morton's interests include physical examination skills, teaching a logical diagnostic approach, use of technology in practice, and resident advocacy.



### **Eric Seger, DO, FACP, Director of Outpatient Services**

Dr. Seger is a graduate of Rocky Vista University's College of Osteopathic Medicine where he earned his D.O. degree in 2016 and completed his internal medicine residency at Saint Joseph Hospital. Prior to joining the faculty full-time, he was chief resident of the internal medicine residency program.

As Director of Outpatient Services for the residency program, Dr. Seger supports the residents as Medical Director for Caritas Clinic. This resident operated ambulatory clinic provides direct training as the primary care physician with firsthand experience managing a wide range of chronic diseases. He has a strong passion for serving the homeless and uninsured populations of the community and champions healthcare equality for the underserved. He has a passion for wellness, mental health and is an active member of the hospital ethics committee.

He was born and raised in rural Nebraska; he moved to Wyoming where he completed his primary education. He is a previous EMT-Basic, EMT-Paramedic and has a Bachelor of Science degree from Montana State University prior to obtaining his medical degree. He and his wife of 31 years lived in Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho before moving to Colorado where he attended medical school, and his family calls home. In addition to having one granddaughter, they have four children aged 33, 32, 28 and 25. Outside of the hospital he is an avid biker, skier, and outdoor enthusiast. He and his wife are supporters of Aurora and Colorado Special Olympics, and they are often seen cheering on their two youngest children. Please feel free to contact him directly with any questions you may have about the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Saint Joseph Hospital.



### **Nick Wenz, DO, Chief Resident, Internal Medicine**

Nick Wenz will serve as Chief Resident for the Internal Medicine Residency Program at Saint Joseph Hospital. Originally from Grand Island, Nebraska, he completed his undergraduate education at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, where he was a member of the football team, before earning his medical degree from Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is passionate about medical education, resident mentorship, and helping create a training environment where residents feel supported, challenged, and prepared for whatever comes next. Nick plans to pursue fellowship training in Cardiology, where he hopes to further develop his interests in complex cardiovascular disease, medical education, and patient-centered care. Outside of medicine, he enjoys staying active through lifting and running, spending time in the mountains, exploring Colorado with his wife, and being a proud dog dad to his goldendoodle, Oliver.

# Program Administration

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### **Kendra Chapman, Program Administrator**

Kendra Chapman is Texas-born, but Colorado-raised and has been with the SCL/IH system since 2009. She loves spending time with her husband and 2 adult children. Kendra is a crazy cat lady and has never met an animal she didn't love. In her free time, you can usually find her at a music festival, Red Rocks, camping, or baking/cooking. Kendra looks forward to help guide the medical students through the various aspects of their time here and is always ready to lend a helping hand!

Medical Student Coordinator/Assistant Administrator