

ARAN EYE ASSOCIATES

RESIDENCY IN OCULAR DISEASE WITH EMPHASIS ON GLAUCOMA

IN AFFILIATION WITH

NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY



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BACKGROUND

Aran Eye Associates is a multi-subspecialty tertiary care referral private practice. We have several fully equipped offices throughout southeast Florida and are one of the largest ophthalmic practices in the region. We have been active in optometric education since the practice's inception in 1988. In addition to education for residents and externs, we sponsor continuing education seminars for local optometric physicians. Aran Eye Associates has a long history of dedication to optometric education in a friendly and exciting clinical environment. The practice is an excellent model for effective O.D. - M.D. patient management.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

This program offers the resident intensive training in the management of ocular disease and trauma, as well as pre- and post-surgical patient care. In addition to the clinical training, there are weekly didactic lectures with our staff doctors participating in the Extern Grand Rounds. There is also the responsibilities of being the on-call physician and encouraged to become involved in the local county optometric associations.

As our resident, you will have the opportunity to observe surgical procedures performed by our staff ophthalmologists including, but not limited to: cataract extraction, penetrating keratoplasty (PKP), Descemet's stripping automated endothelial keratoplasty (DSAEK), as well as refractive

surgery such as LASIK and PRK. You will also observe oculoplastic surgeries and minor office procedures. Our residents have the opportunity to become proficient in the use and interpretation of visual fields, biometry and Optical Coherence Tomography.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who's eligible to apply?

1. Candidates who have matriculated with a Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) degree from ACOE accredited college or school of optometry and
2. Passed NBEO Part I, II and TMOD
3. Are eligible to obtain optometric license to practice in Florida

What materials are required to apply and where do I need to send them?

1. Register with ORMS at <http://https://natmatch.com/ormatch>
2. Letter of intent
3. Curriculum vitae
4. Undergraduate and optometry transcripts
5. NBEO Part I, II and TMOD scores
6. Three letters of recommendation from clinical instructors
7. Personal interview

About the program?

1. 13-month program starting July 1 and ending July 31st of the following year
2. Average of 40 hours per week
3. Compensation of \$40,000.00
4. 10 PTO days
5. Health insurance commensurate with staff coverage
6. Professional liability protection coverage once licensed in Florida
7. CE stipend of \$500.00

What are the responsibilities?

1. Direct patient care
2. On-call duties starting October
3. Precepting optometry externs
4. Extern schedules
5. Participation in Extern Grand Rounds including a quarterly lecture.
6. Attendance on weekly basis to Grand Rounds at Bascom Palmer Eye Institute
7. Attendance to county optometric association meetings, local continuing education seminars, as well as selected state and national optometric meetings
8. Self-directed study and research resulting in a publishable paper

What are the requirements for completion of the program?

1. Fulfillment of terms of employment

2. Fulfillment of attendance requirements to clinics, Extern Grand Rounds, Grand Rounds and optometric association meetings
3. Presentation of 4 lectures at Extern Grand Rounds
4. Publishable quality paper
5. Meeting professional and clinical responsibilities

Is the program accredited? How many candidates are accepted each year?

Our program has been accredited by ACOE since 1989 and we are currently accredited for two residency positions per academic year.

Is housing provided?

No. Residents make their own housing arrangements. These need to be finalized before July 1. Some of the most accessible areas around Miami include Coral Gables, Doral, Miami Beach and the Brickell area of downtown.

Do I need a car?

Yes. A reliable vehicle and insurance coverage are mandatory. There is a lot of driving involved on weekly basis, as our offices are located in Coral Gables, Hialeah, Kendall, North Miami, Ft. Lauderdale and Sunrise, Miramar, Cutler Bay.

also have the opportunity to work with neuro-ophthalmologists.

Do I need to speak Spanish?

Miami has a very large Spanish-speaking population. We've had many residents who were not fluent in Spanish that have successfully completed our program. Our staff is bilingual and will be happy to assist you in any way that you need.

What equipment do I need to bring?

All you need to bring is your white lab coat and funduscopy lenses. All clinics have fully-equipped lanes. In addition, you will find Humphrey visual-field machines, tonopens, pachymeters, ultrasound and fundus cameras, as well as OCTs.

What is the schedule like?

Morning clinics start at 8am and afternoon clinics start at 1pm. Surgery starts at 7am. Depending on the doctor and location the day ends between 5 and 6 pm. There is a weekly meeting with the externs from around 5:30 pm until 7pm.

What services are provided at Aran Eye Associates?

We specialize in tertiary care. Our sub-specialties include cornea and cataract, glaucoma, retina, and -. In addition we also provide general ophthalmology and consultative optometry services as well as laser vision correction. As part of the program, our resident will

Who can I contact if I have questions?

Please direct all questions and submit all application materials to Dr. Emilio Balius, Residency Director

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