

**Residency in Primary Eye Care
Womack Army Medical Center, Fort Bragg, NC
in Affiliation with
Northeastern State University of Oklahoma, College of Optometry
(NSUOCO)**

Mission, Goals, and Objectives

Mission

The mission of the Residency in Primary Care Optometry at Womack Army Medical Center (WAMC) is to provide advanced clinical training for military optometrists with emphasis on ocular disease and trauma, medical/therapeutic contact lens fitting, and primary vision and eye health care, allowing the resident an increased professional capacity to manage a diverse and complex patient population.

Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Provide appropriately supervised clinical educational experiences with emphasis on ocular disease and trauma, medical/therapeutic contact lens fitting, and primary vision and eye health care

Objective 1.1: Examine a minimum of 1,500 patients in clinic, either alone or in conjunction with another health care provider, during the course of the residency.

Objective 1.2: Evaluate and treat patients with a variety of clinical conditions including ocular disease and trauma, medical/therapeutic contact lens fitting and primary vision and eye health care.

Objective 1.3: Appropriately refer and co-manage patients with other health care specialties and providers.

Objective 1.4: Teach and mentor fourth year optometry students through clinical supervision of optometric exams.

Goal 2: Stimulate scholarly development in the resident

Objective 2.1: Write and deliver at least one hour long lecture in the form of continuing education, presentations to peers, presentations to ophthalmic technicians, and lectures to providers in other specialties and groups.

Objective 2.2: Participate in monthly journal club discussions, learning to critically review current ophthalmic literature in order to promote lifetime learning.

Objective 2.3: Attend a national optometric meeting and submit a clinical poster at that meeting during the residency.

Objective 2.4: Produce a research paper, literature review, or case report of publishable quality by the end of the program.

Goal 3: Stimulate a commitment to professional growth/development and service in the resident

Objective 3.1: Join and maintain membership in at least two optometric organizations such as the Armed Forces Optometric Society, American Optometric Association and American Academy of Optometry.

Objective 3.2: Initiate the board certification process by completing the requirements for attaining Fellowship in the American Academy of Optometry within one year of completing the residency program.

Goal 4: Facilitate experiences that are unique to the military optometrist

Objective 4.1: Attend at least one military specific medical training course during the residency.

Objective 4.2: Participate in at least one MEDRETE (Medial Readiness Training Exercise) or FTX (Field Training Exercise) to deliver eye care in an austere environment.