

Consider a Career in Pediatrics!

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Pediatric Career Highlights

- Opportunity to practice in general or specialty areas – outpatient general pediatrics, hospital medicine, nearly all subspecialties available in Internal Medicine (except Geriatrics!), as well as additional ones such as Neonatology, Developmental/Behavioral Pediatrics, Child Abuse/Neglect, Adolescent Medicine
- Academic or Community-based practice
- “Happy Doctors” – kids are fun to work with!
- Decreased risk of burnout, suicide, divorce, substance abuse, etc.
- Relatively easy to secure residency and fellowship training and jobs
- Call responsibilities, opportunity to do procedures, and income: vary depending on practice setting and specialty
- Good life-work integration

Potpourri

- MUST like kids (and their families)!
- Good communication skills essential
- 3 years of general pediatrics residency followed by (usually) 3 years of specialty fellowship training (for those interested)
- Pediatric Interest Group at USD – opportunities for hands-on learning at Parry Simulation Center, discussions with faculty and residents, case conferences, networking, leadership and much more...(did I mention the GREAT food?)
- Mentoring Program with pediatric resident mentors
- Opportunity to participate in scholarly activities mentored by faculty