The residency program is based at White River VAMC & ROC and its major affiliate, the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. The Optometry Service provides comprehensive eye care, with experienced optometric and medical practitioners and rehabilitative specialists. The program’s goals are to develop and expand the resident’s capacity to recognize, diagnose, treat and manage ocular disease and ocular manifestations of systemic disease and provide substantial exposure to at-risk geriatric patients.

**Ocular Disease/Low Vision Rehabilitation**

Site: VA Connecticut Healthcare System-Waterbury campus, Waterbury, CT

Positions: Four

This residency program is designed to provide optometric residents with comprehensive training in the disciplines of: full-scope primary eye care to the veteran population; and intensive low vision rehabilitation to the legally blind veteran population. The program’s goals are to establish a program of excellence in clinical care and optometric education, with special emphasis on primary care and rehabilitative optometry, to develop skill in working in a multi-disciplinary hospital setting, to develop a multi-disciplinary team approach toward identification and management of the needs of legally blind and visually impaired veterans, to integrate the resident into the comprehensive training and patient care function of related sections of the Primary Care Medical clinics and the Blind Rehabilitation Center.

**Primary Eye Care/Low Vision Rehabilitation**

Site: VA Boston Healthcare System-Jamaica Plain campus and local affiliated sites.

Position: Four

This residency program is designed to provide comprehensive training in the disciplines of full-scope primary eye care to the veteran population; and intensive low vision rehabilitation to the legally blind veteran population. The program’s goals are to establish a program of excellence in clinical care and optometric education, with special emphasis on primary care and rehabilitative optometry, to develop skill in working in a multi-disciplinary hospital setting, to develop a multi-disciplinary team approach toward identification and management of the needs of legally blind and visually impaired veterans, to integrate the resident into the comprehensive training and patient care function of related sections of the Primary Care Medical clinics and the Blind Rehabilitation Center.

**Primary Eye Care/Geriatric Optometry**

Site: Bedford VA Medical Center Positions: Two

The mission of this program is to provide the resident with advanced training as a primary care and geriatric provider in a multidisciplinary health care setting through interaction with experienced optometric and medical practitioners and rehabilitative specialists. The program’s goals are to develop and expand the resident’s capacity to recognize, diagnose, treat and manage ocular disease and ocular manifestations of systemic disease and provide substantial exposure to at-risk geriatric patients.

**Primary Eye Care/Corneal and Contact Lenses/Ocular Disease**

Site: VA Boston Healthcare System-Jamaica Plain campus and local affiliated sites.

Position: One

This residency program is designed to provide comprehensive training in the delivery of the highest quality, compassionate services in a hospital-based environment. The residency will provide advanced clinical training in primary eye care, low vision rehabilitation, rotations through specialty ocular disease clinics, training in the screening, diagnosis and treatment of visual abnormalities from acquired brain injury and opportunities for clinical teaching, educational activities, and didactic learning to cultivate understanding and proficiency in providing full-scope primary eye care and tertiary low vision care.

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The mission of The New England College of Optometry (NECO) is to serve the optometric needs of the public by educating optometrists to the highest level of proficiency, integrity and professionalism. In keeping with this mission, the College offers several different one-year residency programs to qualified optometrists who desire advanced training in clinical care. Each residency is based in Boston or at one of several facilities around the New England area, and involves direct patient care supplemented by clinical instruction and scholarly activities including clinical research. Several programs are supported by The New England Eye Institute. All programs are accredited by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE). Qualified applicants must be graduates of an ACOE accredited school or college of optometry. The application deadline for all programs is January 31st and the start date is July 1st.

Non-Discrimination Policy: The New England College of Optometry and its affiliates are equal opportunity employers. They do not and will not discriminate against any person because of race, color, creed, sex, religion, national origin, age or handicap.

Placement Process: Resident placement will occur through the ORMatch matching service. Please visit the ORMatch Website at www.ormatch.com/ormatch for more information. The application deadline is January 31st.

General Residency Completion Requirements: • All program-specific completion requirements • Exit Questionnaire completed • All periodic written evaluations completed • Attendance and participation at all NEOC Residency Conferences • Publishable paper submitted

NON-VA PROGRAMS: Residency in Ocular Disease
Site: Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA. Position: One
The New England Eye Institute and greater Boston affiliated specialty and pediatric practices.

Primary Eye Care
Site: VA Connecticut-Newington Campus. Positions: Four

Residents in Community Health Optometry
Sites: Dimock Center, Roxbury, MA. Dorchester House Multi-Service Center, Dorchester, MA. Positions: One at each site
The mission of these residency programs is to provide clinical training and experience in the delivery of optometric care to a very diverse patient base in a multidisciplinary health center. The resident will gain experience in the delivery of primary eye care to a very diverse patient base in a multidisciplinary health center. The resident will receive clinical training in the management of a wide variety of patients and conditions including ocular and oculosystemic disease. This is supplemented by monthly grand rounds and rotations through pediatric medicine, internal medicine and ophthalmology practices.

Dorchester House Multi-Service Center The Eye Care Service operates as part of the Health Services cluster. The patient population is drawn mainly from Boston's Roxbury neighborhood and surrounding communities, consisting primarily of African American and Latino patients. The eye clinic serves patients of all ages, with a large pediatric population. The patient care experience is very diverse. Weekly pediatric optometry and contact lens rotations are conducted on-site.

Dorchester House Multi-Service Center

Residency in Pediatric Optometry
Sites: The New England Eye Institute and greater Boston affiliated specialty and pediatric practices. Positions: Two

Residency in Cornea and Contact Lenses
Sites: The New England Eye Institute, TLC Massachusetts and greater Boston affiliated specialty practices. Positions: Two

Residency in Cornea and Contact Lenses

Ocular Disease
Site: VA Medical Center, Manchester, NH. Position: Two

Primary Eye Care/Ocular Disease
Sites: VA Boston Healthcare System, Jamaica Plain, Brockton, West Roxbury and Worcester campuses, Jamaica Plain, Brockton, West Roxbury and Worcester. Each resident is based at Jamaica Plain, Brockton, West Roxbury or Worcester, but rotates through other campuses. Positions: Nine

Specific programs of interest:
• Community Health Optometry
• Primary Eye Care
• Pediatric Optometry
• Cornea and Contact Lenses
• Ocular Disease
• VA Primary Eye Care
• VA Primary Eye Care/Ocular Disease
• VA Primary Eye Care/Primary Care
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Please send me more program and application information.