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Dear Program Director:

Each year the New England Eye Center/Tufts University School of Medicine and Ophthalmic Consultants of Boston (OCB) sponsor a yearlong clinical fellowship in glaucoma. The program comes from a long tradition of over 30 years of training glaucoma specialists and providing extensive exposure to the medical and surgical management of the glaucomas.

Our fellowship is unique in that it offers two distinct training grounds to develop the fellows' clinical and surgical strengths—each of our two fellows spend 6 months at both a large urban academic medical center and at a large, multi-specialty private practice.

Throughout the year, the fellows will obtain hands-on, primary surgeon experience for the development of the requisite surgical skills in procedures such as trabeculectomy, tube shunt implants, anterior segment laser procedures and transcleral and endoscopic cyclophotocoagulation. The fellows will also be experienced with the latest adjunctive testing including: interpretation of visual fields, optic nerve head analysis with OCT and HRT, and ultrasound biomicroscopy. Fellows will also be exposed to innovative techniques, i.e. non-penetrating deep sclerectomy and Schlemm's canal directed surgery.

Fellows are strongly encouraged to participate in clinical and/or laboratory research according to his or her individual interests. Both Tufts/NEEC and OCB have been involved in trials of medications and devices by major pharmaceutical and surgical companies and national multi-center randomized controlled trials. The vast majority of fellows have published scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals based on their work during their fellowship year.

Our current faculty includes ten full-time fellowship-trained glaucoma specialists, offering many decades' worth of experience as well as a broad range of clinical and surgical expertise and research interests. We take pride in the fact that our fellows are given the opportunity to work closely with each member of our faculty and believe this to be at the core of the training we seek to provide.

Boston is a particularly stimulating environment for advanced medical training and research both at Tufts and OCB. Beyond medicine, Boston is one of the nation's most historic, diverse, and livable cities, offering a vast range of cultural and recreational amenities few can match.

Our fellowship program has been a solid foundation on which the careers of many leaders in the fields of glaucoma and ophthalmology have emerged. We believe that our program provides the best preparation for future glaucoma specialists.

We encourage you and your residents to visit the websites listed below for more information and to contact either of the program directors for any further specific questions about our fellowship program in glaucoma.

Sincerely,

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