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Clayton Bowes, MD (Clay Boh-zz)

- Hometown: Indianapolis, IN
- Undergraduate Degree: Biological Engineering
- Medical School: Indiana University School of Medicine

When I look back on my journey leading to here, I realize I always envisioned myself in the life of a family doctor: making those long terms connections and supporting the members of the community. After taking a trip to Milwaukee during medical school, I realized it was time to trade in Indianapolis for a new city filled with immense opportunity!

Having grown up in Indiana my entire life, I’m naturally a huge fan of Indiana sports and everything associated with my alma mater Purdue University. If the Boilermakers are playing, I’m having a good day, and if the Boilermakers win, I’m having a better day. In my free time, I love visiting my friends in nearby cities like Chicago, going to trivia, and staying busy. In the not-so-distant future I can see myself maintaining a busy practice but also potentially fellowing in Sports Medicine (to be determined!) Excited to be a cheesehead and can’t wait to see what the 3 years have in store!

Erin Burdt-Davis, DO (Air-in Burt)

- Hometown: Ankeny, IA
- Undergraduate Degree: Business Administration & Biology
- Medical School: A.T. Still University – College of Osteopathic Medicine - Kirksville

Simply put, I ended up loving all of my clinical rotations during medical school, and I did not want to give up any aspect of practice. Family medicine offers the academic challenge I crave and the diversity to tailor your career to the surrounding community’s needs. The opportunity to care for an entire family unit, from birth to geriatrics, is unique to family medicine and my primary draw to this specialty.

I was excited to join the Aurora residency program because of its positive culture and dedication to patient care. I wanted to join their team and work alongside colleagues that are so enthusiastic about the wellbeing of others. I was also ecstatic to finally introduce my Idaho-husband to the famous Wisconsin squeaky cheese curds! When I’m not working, you can usually find me outside running, hiking, exploring the local area, or motorcycling with my little family. After residency, I hope to practice in a rural community doing full-scope medicine while volunteering at local sex-trafficked victim rehabilitation centers.
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Robin Buttar, DO (Rah-bin Boo-tar)

- Hometown: Grand Blanc, MI
- Undergraduate Degree: Economics
- Medical School: Midwestern University - Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine

I chose family medicine because the field allows one to practice medicine with a "big picture" and holistic approach that requires understanding of all different organ systems. Additionally, something I truly love about family medicine is that it allows one to encounter and help treat patients of all ages, demographics and socio-economic backgrounds and create meaningful, long-lasting relationships with those patients. I chose the Aurora Family Medicine Residency program because of their emphasis on the holistic and integrative approach to medicine as well as the program's commitment to helping the underserved population in the area. Also being situated in an exciting city with a diverse population such as Milwaukee was an added bonus! My goal is to pursue a sports medicine fellowship and ultimately hope to provide sports medicine and primary care services to my future patients.

Outside of medicine, my hobbies include sports, traveling, hiking and anything related to nature. Fun fact: Over the past year I embarked on two separate solo road trips to hike the Rocky Mountains and Great Smoky Mountains!

Meg Duffield, DO (Meg Duf-eeld)

- Hometown: Brodhead, WI
- Undergrad Degree: Biochemistry
- Medical School: A.T. Still University Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

I have a passion working with patients with chronic disease. In family medicine we have the opportunity to work on prevention in a holistic manner. In addition, there are a large variety of fellowships available for family medicine. At Aurora, you are trained to be a full spectrum family medicine provider. I look forward to continuing my interests in integrative medicine and preventive medicine throughout residency. Outside of medicine, I enjoy reading, billiards, golfing, cooking and sports!
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Christina Dukehart, DO  (Kris-tee-nuh Duke-heart)

- Hometown: South Bend, IN
- Undergraduate Degree: Biochemistry/Molecular Biology
- Medical School: Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine

My interest in family medicine began in high school. I remember shadowing a doctor who could just look at a history and walk into the room knowing what was wrong based on his prior knowledge of the patient. It almost seemed like a superpower to me, and I knew that one day I wanted to have that same power. In medical school, the family medicine clinic was always my happy place. Even on different rotations, I would still find a way to be in the clinic for at least a half day. My passions in family medicine include public health, integrative medicine, OMT, and women's health. I chose Aurora because of its emphasis on working with the urban, underserved population, as well as its focus on OMT, holistic medicine, and public health. The faculty and residents were so welcoming and kind, and the program really advocates for resident wellness, which were also major factors in my decision to come here. Milwaukee seemed like a great big city to live in, without being as overwhelming as Chicago. One fun fact about me is that when I was younger, I actually wanted to be an actress and was in a small children's film called Fresh Fruit Pie. When I'm not at the hospital, you can usually find me hiking, trying new restaurants, playing with my cat, watching Netflix, traveling, or hanging out with my friends. After residency, I hope to work in an urban, underserved community practicing full-spectrum outpatient medicine.

Robert Hackney, MD  (Rob-Ert Hack-Knee)

- Hometown: Appleton, WI
- Undergraduate Degree: Biochemistry
- Medical School: Medical College of Wisconsin - Green Bay

As a new resident physician at Aurora, I am thrilled to be part of a program that emphasizes compassionate and individualized patient care. I chose to specialize in family medicine because I believe in building strong relationships with patients and delivering holistic care that addresses their physical, mental, and social well-being. Milwaukee is a dynamic city with a rich history and culture, and I am excited to learn more about the local healthcare landscape and work alongside my colleagues to improve health outcomes for our patients.

One fun fact about me is that I am an avid soccer player and enjoy playing pick-up games with friends in my free time. I find that playing soccer is a great way to stay active, relieve stress, and connect with people from diverse backgrounds and perspectives.
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Binyamin Kanter, DO  (Bin-yuh-min Can-ter)

- Hometown: Far Rockaway, NY
- Undergraduate Degree: Biology
- Medical School: Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine

I am drawn to Family Medicine because I love how broad it is. It is my strong desire to practice full spectrum Family Medicine. Family Medicine provides the opportunity to treat adults and children in every age and stage in life. This unique perspective allows for a special sort of healthcare analysis informed by a very full understanding of the patient within the context of their personal and family history as well as their environment. Additionally, the very real emphasis on preventative medicine and the open-mindedness to consider integrative medicine seems to be unmatched by any other specialty.

While there are many great FM programs out there, Aurora is unique in that it is such a well balanced program with many great resources and opportunities for learning while also maintaining a phenomenal learning atmosphere and making resident wellness a real priority. As a DO, Aurora was also a natural choice due to the comprehensive Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine training offered by the program. This sort of training is not so common, and I am very thankful to have matched into a program where I can develop my skills further. I had spent a good amount of time in Milwaukee even before medical school, and it has always been a place that I enjoyed visiting. Being able to train in the Midwest in Milwaukee is a real plus, as it is hard to rival the calming atmosphere.

Outside of medicine, I enjoy spending time with my family and pursuing a number of other important interests. After residency and perhaps fellowship, I plan to be a community physician while also spending time servicing underserved communities with full spectrum primary and urgent care.

Megan Matre, MD  (Meg-an Mah-tree)

- Hometown: Orland Park, IL
- Undergraduate Degree: Biomedical Sciences and Spanish
- Medical School: Chicago Medical School at Rosalind Franklin University

Family Medicine challenges you to know a little bit about every specialty and be prepared to navigate any clinical situation. I love how we have the ability to care for patients of all ages, see a broad range of pathology, and develop close relationships with our patients. My professional interests include women’s health, obstetrics, global health, and medical education. I was drawn to the Aurora program because of its commitment to serving a diverse, urban underserved patient population. I also love the city of Milwaukee! I went to undergrad here in MKE and am excited to get back to going to Marquette Basketball games, exploring new breweries, going on Colectivo coffee runs and spending time at the lakefront.

Outside of the hospital, I love to run, travel, watch reality TV, explore new restaurants, and spend time with friends and family.
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Ghazan Jalil Mian, MD (Gah-Zan Jah-Leel Mee-On)

- Hometown: Kenosha, WI
- Undergraduate Degree: Biology
- Medical School: University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

My interest in Family Medicine started early in my life through the strong relationship that my family built with our family doctor. During my clinical years in medical school, I enjoyed certain aspects of multiple specialties like treating patients with complex problems, developing the trust with patients to take complete histories, developing procedural skills, treating acute injuries, and forging long-term relationships with patients. As I rotated through my clerkships, it became clear that I wanted to pursue a specialty that combined all the aspects that I enjoyed most about practicing medicine. This culminated in my family medicine clinical rotation at Aurora St. Luke’s in Milwaukee. I was very impressed by the kindness and approachability of all the faculty members I worked with, as well as their clinical knowledge and knowledge of the Milwaukee community. As a Wisconsin native, I’m excited to be able to further my medical training in Milwaukee, a city I consider to be my home.

Lindsay Sawyer, DO (Lind-see Saw-your)

- Hometown: Tulsa, OK
- Undergraduate Degree: Biochemistry and Microbiology
- Medical School: Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine

I chose to pursue Family Medicine because I want to continue my exposure to a wide range of topics and provide comprehensive care for all of my patients. I look forward to taking an active role in the care of patients of all ages, whether managing chronic conditions or practicing preventative care. Family Medicine allows for continuity of care that is unlike other specialties in that you can establish long-lasting relationships with patients and their families. I was drawn to Aurora because of its emphasis on serving Milwaukee’s diverse community. I have enjoyed working with a similar population in my hometown throughout medical school and am excited to continue working with an underserved patient population. Outside of the hospital, I enjoy playing tennis, reading a good book, and spending time with family and friends. After residency, I plan to pursue my interest in women's health.
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Kayla Yates, DO  (Kay-luh Yeh-tz)

- Hometown: Waltham, MA
- Undergraduate Degree: Health Science Minor: Psychology
- Medical School: Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine

My desire to connect with others across the spectrum of age and ability to maintain such relationships reflect my interest in the field of Family Medicine. I value different dialogues and backgrounds, always looking for opportunities to learn and grow from my interactions with others. I want to embolden patients to achieve their goals in every stage and phase of life.

Aurora saw me through my clinical years as a medical student. I started my 3rd year rotations at Wiselives and kicked off my 4th year sub-Internship at St. Luke’s and Sinai. The growth I experienced over these two years was insurmountable. I sought to emulate every family medicine provider I worked with and found my home within the Aurora Family Medicine Program.

I gravitate toward the opportunities Milwaukee presents to play outdoors, taste various cuisines, explore the arts and sciences, and connect with the community. I am also drawn to the outdoor sanctuaries and the fusion of cultures found in this metropolitan area. I find comfort by the water and the mountains. You can find me swimming in a lake, kayaking, or hiking up a mountain to see the sunrise.

After residency, I plan to continue growing as a family medicine physician practicing osteopathic manipulative medicine (OMM) and performing various procedures. My professional interests include, but are not limited to, integrative medicine, women’s health, sports medicine, adolescent medicine and street medicine. I hope to invest in my hobbies as well, such as adventuring outdoors, competing in triathlons, dancing, traveling, taking photographs, and spending quality time with friends and family.

Anthony Zotto, DO  (Anth-o-knee Zah-toe)

- Hometown: Libertyville, IL
- Undergraduate Degree: Aerospace Engineering
- Medical School: Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine

Throughout medical school, I had the fortunate problem of liking every field of medicine that I encountered during my clinical rotations. I chose family medicine because I enjoyed learning about a wide variety of medical conditions in a wide variety of demographics, and I especially appreciated the longitudinal aspect of patient care in family medicine. I have a special interest in Sports Medicine, integrative medicine, and OMM. I would definitely like to focus in on these areas in my future practice, while still practicing the full spectrum of family medicine. I chose Aurora's Family Medicine Residency because of the people. I thoroughly enjoyed my interview and felt at home after getting to know the staff and the current residents. Outside of work I enjoy going to the beach, playing volleyball, hopping on my bike, and exploring many of Milwaukee's breweries and music scenes.