

Rheumatology Fellowship

Didactic Educational Activities and Conferences

Weekly

➤ 1st Monday:	8:00am to 9:00am	Subject Discussion / Review Article
➤ 2nd Monday:	8:00am to 9:00am	Core Curriculum Conference
➤ 3rd Monday:	8:00am to 9:00am	Guidelines Conference or Case Conundrum with Literature Review
➤ 4th Monday:	8:00am to 9:00am	Journal Club
➤ Every Monday:	9:00am to 9:30am	Rheumatology Service Case Discussion

Monthly

➤ 1st Wednesday of the Month:	8:30am to 9:30am	Immunology Conference
➤ 1st Wednesday of the Month:	12:15pm to 1:15pm	Rheumatology Lecture to the Internal Medicine Department
➤ 1st Wednesday of the Month (October-June):	8:00am to 9:00am	Combined Rutgers Health-JCMC + NJMS Rheumatology Conference
➤ 2nd Wednesday of the Month:	1:00pm to 2:00pm	Board Review
➤ 3rd Wednesday of the Month:	1:00pm to 2:00pm	Musculoskeletal Ultrasonography
➤ 2nd Thursday of the Month:	7:30am to 8:30am	Rutgers Health GME Grand Rounds
➤ 3rd Thursday of the Month:	1:00pm to 2:00pm	QI and Research Meeting

Note: When combined with the Rutgers Health-JCMC + NJMS Rheumatology Conference, Immunology Conference will be held from 9:00am to 10:00am.

Quarterly/Semiannual

- Morbidity and Mortality / Root Cause Analysis Conference

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Core Curriculum Conference

- Topics will be chosen to cover relevant American College of Rheumatology and EULAR core curriculum content.
- Presenters will include fellows and faculty.

Guidelines Conference

- Review of guidelines published by major rheumatology societies.
- Presenters will be fellows, with discussion facilitated by faculty.

Subject Discussion / Review Article

- Detailed discussion of an important rheumatology topic in which recent advances have been made. Discussion will be based on a review article from a major journal such as Arthritis & Rheumatology, NEJM, or Nature Reviews Rheumatology.

Rheumatology Lecture to the Internal Medicine Department

- Monthly fellow-led lecture for the Internal Medicine Department. The 1st-year and 2nd-year fellows alternate as presenters, with one attending faculty member assigned by rotation for supervision and content guidance.

Board Review:

- Faculty-moderated session reviewing board-style questions and explanations, with discussion among fellows.

Journal Club

- Critical journal-club discussion with in-depth analysis of a recent original research publication from a major medical journal with significant impact on clinical practice. Discussion may extend to other specialty journals at the intersection with rheumatology.

Rheumatology Service Case Discussion

- Interactive discussion among faculty and fellows based on real-world cases from the service or clinic.

QI and Research Meeting:

- Review progress of current projects.
- Discuss potential new projects.
- Review meetings, deadlines, and conference attendance/presentations.

Morbidity and Mortality / Root Cause Analysis Conference

- Faculty-moderated review of selected cases and systems issues, with emphasis on patient safety, quality improvement, and root-cause analysis when applicable.

Immunology Conference

- Monthly, one-hour detailed discussion of one chapter at a time from Basic Immunology by Abul K. Abbas. Faculty-moderated fellow discussion.

Combined Rutgers Health-JCMC + NJMS Rheumatology Conference

- Held monthly from October through June and hosted alternately by NJMS and JCMC, starting with NJMS in October. When NJMS hosts, an NJMS fellow leads the conference. When JCMC hosts, the JCMC fellow lead alternates between the first-year and second-year JCMC fellows, beginning with Dr. Danny Arias Diaz in November, followed by Dr. Nayab Ahsan in January, and alternating thereafter. Important subjects or case conundrum presentations will be discussed and debated among faculty and fellows from both programs.

Musculoskeletal Ultrasonography

- Hands-on experience using the ultrasound machine to develop basic skills in scanning major joints and other MSK structures in healthy individuals, in preparation for successful participation in the USSONAR program during the second year of fellowship.

Major Regional, National, or International Meetings

Meeting	Timing / Location	Fellow Attendance
Annual Penn Rheumatology First Year Fellows Conference	July, Philadelphia	1st year fellow
American College of Rheumatology Convergence	Fall, 5-day conference	2nd year fellow; 1st year fellow may attend the weekend or as long as necessary if selected for presentation
New Jersey Rheumatology Association Spring Meeting	1-day event	Any fellow selected for presentation
Ultrasound School of North American Rheumatologists (USSONAR) Multi-Track Ultrasound in Rheumatology Conference	Late spring, Tampa, FL, 2-day hands-on event	Qualified 2nd year fellow