



# Fromer Eye Centers

## Ocular Disease with Emphasis in Cornea and Contact Lenses/Refractive and Ocular Surgery Residency Program

### **Mission Statement**

*The mission of the Residency in Ocular Disease with Emphasis in Cornea and Contact Lenses/Refractive and Ocular Surgery at Fromer Eye Centers is to offer qualified optometrists advanced clinical training and education in the diagnosis and treatment of ocular disease in a private practice environment. The program will prepare the resident to work confidently and efficiently as part of a dynamic team of professionals including ophthalmologists, optometrists, ophthalmic technicians, opticians, and administrative personnel.*

### **About Us**

**Fromer Eye Centers** provides comprehensive eye care utilizing state of the art modalities and treatment options. Our physicians are board-certified ophthalmologists and optometrists who have earned national reputations as top clinicians and educators. We offer treatments for cataracts, macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, corneal disorders, retinal detachments, uveitis and dry eye syndromes. Our specialists are trained in cosmetic and reconstructive surgery of the eyelid. Our practice provides comprehensive examinations for eyeglasses, contact lenses and laser vision correction.

Fromer Eye Centers offers services in the following sub-specialties:

- Retina-Vitreous
- Glaucoma
- Oculoplastics and Eyelid Reconstruction
- Cornea and Anterior Segment
- Pediatrics

### **About the Program:**

Fromer Eye Centers (FEC) started the first private practice Ocular Disease Residency Program in New York in July 2012. The residency in Ocular Disease with Emphasis in Cornea and Contact Lenses/Refractive and Ocular Surgery at Fromer Eye Centers will provide the resident with advanced clinical training and education necessary to deliver comprehensive ophthalmic care that meets the needs of a diverse population of patients having ocular disease. The resident will have responsibilities in patient care and patient education. They will also participate in emergency care triaging as part of their on-call duties. The resident will be expected to provide a full range of ophthalmic patient care services with emphasis in the differential diagnosis and treatment of ocular disease and visual pathway dysfunction. They will have the opportunity to work alongside ophthalmologists specializing in retina, glaucoma,

cornea, oculoplastics and pediatrics. They will also be involved with specialty contact lenses and low vision. They will provide pre- and post-operative care as well as co-manage refractive surgery patients and observe ocular surgical procedures. The resident will be a member of a multi-disciplinary healthcare team and be responsible for appropriate utilization of the practice's resources and personnel. Training will be accomplished through direct patient care, seminars, grand rounds and independent study. As a member of the FEC staff, the resident will also be expected to attend and participate in FEC staff meetings, trainings and retreats. These sessions will expose the resident to the inner workings and practice management intricacies of private practice.

The residency program is accredited by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE).

### **About the Residency Supervisors:**

Marina Su, O.D., F.A.A.O., Director of Optometry, received her Doctor of Optometry degree from South California College of Optometry and completed an ocular disease residency at Fromer Eye Centers in the Bronx, NY, affiliated with SUNY College of Optometry. Dr. Su is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry and a member of the American Optometric Association, New York State Optometric Association and College of Optometrists in Vision Development. Dr. Su is an Adjunct Associate Clinical Professor at SUNY College of Optometry.

## **Residency Program Information Sheet**

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**Compensation:** \$43,000.00 per year

**Duration:** 12 months: July 1 – June 30

**Weekly Hours:** 40 hours Monday-Friday

**Location:** Bronx, New York

**On- Call Responsibilities:** 2 months a year rotating monthly

**Benefits:** All full-time Residents are eligible for health insurance coverage under various options provided by the Practice. Optional coverage may be purchased by the Resident for their eligible dependents including domestic partners and payment of such premium would be through payroll deductions for their convenience. Vacation time is earned on a prorated and accrued basis throughout the year at a rate of 1.25 days per month and paid holidays as per company policy. The following paid holidays are recognized by the Practice: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. The practice provides the Resident with Medical Malpractice Insurance, occurrence type policy, with minimum levels consisting of \$1 million/\$3 million which specifically is intended to cover services rendered by Resident at the practice only. The resident will also be eligible to participate in any of the benefit programs offered to the general staff, including commuter benefits, group buying

discounts, 401k, etc. The Resident also has \$750.00 for professional association meetings as well as 3 days for CME.

**Requirements:** United States Citizen or OPT Visa for F-1 Students  
OD degree accredited by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education  
Successful completion of Parts 1, 2, 3 and TMOD of the National Board  
NY State Licensure

### **Requirements for Completion of Program:**

- Fulfillment of the academic obligation, which includes attendance to: Minor & Major Presentations, Didactic Program/Grand Rounds (“Friday Programs”), Core Didactic Curriculum
- Present a minor (20 minute) and a major (50 minute) presentation
- Publishable quality paper
- Maintenance and completion of supervisor evaluation, patient logs, etc.
- Meeting professional and clinical responsibilities
- Attend in-house weekly case studies and presentation
- Fulfillment of terms of employment
- Any program specific requirements, attendance, and satisfactory clinical and professional achievements

### **SUNY’s “Friday Program”: A Unique Feature of SUNY Residency:**

Unique to SUNY residency programs is the “Friday Program,” or didactic program that includes various topical presentations, workshops and grand rounds. Residents from all programs, including affiliate and SUNY-based, participate in this program. These programs are usually scheduled on Fridays, but may be scheduled on other days of the week depending on lecture schedule and lecturers’ availability.

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## Fromer Eye Centers (FEC) Optometric Ocular Disease with Emphasis in Cornea and Contact Lenses/Refractive and Ocular Surgery Residency Application Procedure

### ✚ Eligibility

- Attainment of the Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) degree from a school or college of optometry accredited by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education
- Successful completion of Parts I, II, III and TMOD of the National Board Exams in Optometry
- License to practice optometry in the state of New York (to be acquired within the first month of starting residency program, if not sooner)

### ✚ Process

- All eligible candidates must register through ORMatch (Optometry Residency Match): [www.natmatch.com/ormatch](http://www.natmatch.com/ormatch)

### ✚ A summary of application instructions is as follows:

1. Contact the residency program supervisor – it is recommended that this be done prior to January 15. Marina Su, OD, FAAO at [msu@fromereye.com](mailto:msu@fromereye.com)
2. Submit a completed application and the processing fee. This must be done through ORMatch on or before February 1.
3. Assemble a packet that contains:
  - a. Curriculum vitae
  - b. NBEO scores
  - c. Optometry school transcripts
  - d. Brief statement of interest (letter of intent)
  - e. Arrange for three (3) letters of recommendation to be forwarded to the Program Supervisor.

All application materials may be submitted electronically to [msu@fromereye.com](mailto:msu@fromereye.com) or mailed to the following address:

Marina Su, OD, FAAO, Residency Supervisor  
Fromer Eye Centers  
3130 Grand Concourse, Suite B6  
Bronx, New York 10458

- ✚ All application materials must be received by the Residency Program Supervisor on or before February 1.
- ✚ Interviews will be conducted in the month of February. After completing the interview process, complete the Applicant's Ranking Form through ORMatch.
- ✚ Application documents are processed and filed in the office of each Residency Program Supervisor, but are available upon request to the Director of Residency Education and/or the Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs or President.

### 4 . Non-discrimination policy:

In selecting residents, Fromer Eye Centers does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of age, race, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, disability, religion, ancestry, national or ethnic origin. The practice adheres to all federal, state and city laws and regulations regarding non-discrimination.