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Program Coordinator Spotlight: LaTonjala Turner

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Hi everyone! My name is LaTonjala Turner, and I'm the Program Coordinator for the WSUSOM Internal Medicine Residency Program at Ascension Providence Rochester Hospital.

I was born and raised in Detroit. I attended Oakland Community College and obtained my associate degree in healthcare administration in 2018. Also in that year, I attended Madonna University and received a certificate qualifying me to be a nursing home administrator. My career goals are to become a GME Administrator in the next few years and to keep rising to the top in medical education.

I have been working with GME/Medical Education for 3 years. My favorite aspect of my job is that we all work together as a team to ensure that our residents are getting the best learning experiences possible during their residency. I love working with the residents and seeing them help one another without hesitation. Working for WSU IM program, I have observed how remarkable the training is. Everyone is so welcoming and always in a joyous mood, ready to work no matter what the circumstances they may be facing that day.

Some key things every intern should know to help them succeed in residency: ALWAYS ask questions, be professional at all times, and STUDY, STUDY, STUDY! One thing the public doesn't understand about residency training is that they do have a life outside of work as well. They have to maintain a work-life balance as well as care for their patients, which can be challenging for some, but our residents do the best they can to make their patients feel comfortable and establish trust.



I am married with 3 children, and I have a 1-year-old granddaughter (pictured at left). My hobbies are shopping, traveling, and spending time with my family.