

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program

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Objective and Overview

The purpose of the GCVHCS pharmacy residencies is to build on the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacy specialists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions, eligible for board certification, and eligible for postgraduate year two (PGY-2) pharmacy residency training. Residents will be provided the opportunity to accelerate their growth beyond entry-level professional competence in patient-centered care, pharmacy operational services, and to further the development of leadership skills that can be applied to any practice setting.

Facilities for the GCVHCS PGY1 Program

The Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System hosts three residency programs, two in Biloxi, MS and one at the Joint Ambulatory Care Center (JACC) in Pensacola, FL, with a total of 4 resident positions (2 at each site). GCVHCS is a tertiary care facility and a teaching hospital providing a full range of patient care services. GCVHCS is privileged to serve over 70,000 Veteran. Comprehensive health care is provided through primary care, medicine, surgery, acute care/ICU, psychiatry,

psychology, oncology, cardiology, dentistry, geriatrics, extended care, palliative/hospice care, physical rehabilitation and blind rehabilitation.

The Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System also has outpatient clinics in Mobile, Eglin, and Panama City.

Required and Elective Experiences

During the course of the year, residents will be required to have certain clinical and administrative experiences. These include orientation, primary care (PACT), anticoagulation, internal medicine, home based primary care, practice management, project management, and pharmacy operations.

Program one in Biloxi is a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency. It is a 12-month program consisting of longitudinal experiences in primary care, pharmacy practice, pharmacy administration and research. Additional required learning experiences include adult/internal medicine/acute care, home-based primary care, geriatrics/community living center, acute mental health/outpatient mental health clinic, and psychosocial mental health/substance abuse/chronic mental illness residential rehabilitation programs.

Program two in Biloxi is a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency. It is a 12-month expanded mental health training program which fosters a coordinated blend of research and informed application in an interdisciplinary environment. Required mental health learning experiences include substance abuse, outpatient mental health, psychosocial residential rehabilitation treatment programs (chronic mental illness/substance abuse/PTSD), quit tobacco clinic and acute inpatient psychiatry. Additional learning experiences include adult internal medicine/acute care, home-based primary care, geriatrics/community living center, primary care/ambulatory care, pharmacy administration and research.

The residency program at the JACC in Pensacola, FL is a 12-month program consisting of longitudinal experiences in PACT/pharmacotherapy clinic, anti-coagulation clinic, diabetes clinic, quit tobacco clinic and pharmacy administration. Other required learning experiences include home-based primary care, outpatient pharmacy and adult medicine/internal medicine/acute care (Biloxi). There are multiple primary care teams utilizing the PACT model of care with pharmacists serving as providers and managing patients for a variety of disease states including diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, smoking cessation and other disease states based on the needs of the patient and PACT team. Specialty clinics and pharmacist run disease state management clinics are also utilized for resident learning experiences.

Possible electives for the 3 programs include repetition of a required learning experience, opioid stewardship/pain management, antibiotic stewardship/infectious disease, cardiology (Pensacola), drug information, National academic detailing and national VA Med Safe.

There is ample opportunity to be involved in patient care, education, management and research. Residents are required to complete a research project, present it at a professional meeting and submit a manuscript suitable for publication by the end of the residency. Residents also have the opportunity to participate in the teaching and learning certificate program offered through the Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy.

Benefits

Benefits include a stipend of \$41,533, 13 days of paid accrued annual leave and 13 days of paid accrued sick leave per year. In addition, residents receive 10 paid holidays, paid administrative leave to attend required professional meetings, shared office space with co-resident, health care benefit package with optional dental and vision plans, lab coats and business cards.

Eligibility

Applicants should have a Pharm.D. or other advanced professional degree and be a United States citizen. Applicants selected for the residency program will be expected to be licensed by the start of residency training or shortly thereafter with licensure being required within 60 days of the start of the residency program.

Application Requirements

Applications for this program will be accepted through the PhORCAS online application system (<http://www.ashp.org/phorcas>) with the application deadline for all three programs being the first Friday in January. Participation in the Match is required. Application requirements include three letters of recommendation, a letter of intent, curriculum vitae, and pharmacy school transcripts.

Pensacola, FL PGY-1 residency at the JACC (ambulatory care) NMS Code: 149313

Biloxi, MS PGY-1 residency (mental health) NMS Code: 217921

Biloxi, MS PGY-1 residency (general practice) NMS Code: 217913

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