

Program Requirements

U.S. citizenship at the time of application

Doctor of Pharmacy from an ACPE accredited school with GPA ≥ 3.3

Pharmacist licensure eligible (or license) in any U.S. state or territory, or the District of Columbia.

English language proficiency

Application Process

Our program participates in the ASHP Resident Matching Program. Our NMS Match Code is 235113

Application materials **MUST** be submitted by JANUARY 6th, 2023

Complete online application through PHORCAS

Applications must be complete and include the following:

- ◆ 1 page letter of intent
- ◆ Curriculum vitae (CV)
- ◆ Official college transcripts
- ◆ 3 letters of recommendation

Stipend and Benefits

Stipend: estimated \$48,233

13 paid vacation days

11 paid federal holidays

13 paid sick days

Federal health/life insurance

Free on site parking

Authorized absence for meetings (travel support based on funding availability)



“The Crossroads of New Jersey”

East Orange, nicknamed “The Crossroads of New Jersey,” is a city in Essex County, NJ. It is located at the intersection of the Garden State Parkway and Interstate 280. Less than 30 minutes from New York City, residents and visitors can catch a quick train into “The City” to experience all that New York has to offer. East Orange puts residents and visitors at the center of exploration opportunities!

For more information visit: www.eastorange-nj.gov

Visit our website for more information about the residency:

www.va.gov/new-jersey-health-care/work-with-us/internships-and-fellowships/pgy-1-pharmacy-residency/



VA New Jersey
Health Care System

PGY1 PHARMACY RESIDENCY PROGRAM



The VANJHCS PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency is an ASHP accredited residency program with a strong ambulatory care component.

Our goal is to best prepare you for a career in direct patient care clinical pharmacy practice.

Core Rotations

- Core rotations are 4-5 weeks in length and include
- Orientation
- Ambulatory Primary Care (PACT)
- Anticoagulation Management
- Psychiatric Pharmacy
- Acute Care Medicine
- Outpatient Pharmacy Practice
- Pharmacy Administration and Leadership
- Inpatient Pharmacy Practice
 - Medication Reconciliation
 - Discharge Planning

Elective Rotations

- Residents will have the opportunity to choose 5 elective rotations. Rotations are approximately 4 weeks in length and include the following experiences:
- Extension of a core rotation
- Ambulatory Care Infectious Disease
 - Hepatitis C
 - HIV
- Pharmacy Informatics
- Emergency Department
- Geriatrics/Extended Care
- Substance Abuse
- Oncology/Hematology
- Antimicrobial Stewardship (Inpatient)
- Home Based Primary Care//Rural Health

Longitudinal Experiences

- In addition to rotations, residents will participate in several ongoing activities throughout the year that include:
- Major research project
 - ASHP poster presentation
 - Eastern States Platform Presentation
- Medication safety/ADE Reporting
- Medication Use Evaluation
- Rutgers Teaching and Learning Certificate (optional)
- Non-formulary/Prior Authorization drug consult reviews
- Pharmacy Practice (staffing)
- Pharmacy Resident Clinics
 - Anticoagulation
 - Primary Care (PACT)



VANJHCS Residency Overview

Our program has a strong focus on ambulatory care pharmacy practice with many of the clinical pharmacy specialists that serve as preceptors having a scope of practice with prescribing privileges. The resident will have the opportunity to rotate through many of the pharmacist-run clinics including primary care, infectious diseases, and anticoagulation.

The program is designed to strengthen the residents' skills in direct patient care, medication management, clinical pharmacy practice, and leadership. Residents will develop the clinical and communication skills needed to provide direct patient care.

As an integral member of interdisciplinary patient care teams, residents will use their drug therapy expertise and clinical judgment to improve patient outcomes. Building on the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education, learning experiences will develop well-rounded pharmacists with skills in critical thinking, project management, leadership, and oral and written communication.



VA New Jersey HCS

The VANJHCS is an integrated system consisting of two Veterans Health Affairs campuses located in East Orange and Lyons and ten Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) located throughout northern and central New Jersey. We serve more than 56,000 Veterans with an average of 630,000 outpatient visits and 5,200 inpatient admissions per year.

The East Orange Campus is a tertiary care teaching facility affiliated with the Rutgers-New Jersey Medical Schools. It is located on 34 acres in northeast New Jersey adjacent to the City of Newark. The Campus overlooks a residential area with the Manhattan skyline visible on the horizon.

The Lyons Campus provides long-term care, palliative care, and outpatient and residential psychiatric services, as well as primary and specialty outpatient clinics. Situated on 365 acres, it is 22 miles west of the East Orange Campus.

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Please feel free to contact the Residency Program Director or our current residents with any questions about the program