



**Veterans
Affairs
Learning
Opportunities
Residency**

The VALOR program offers participants the opportunity to gain experience in and explore all areas of VA pharmacy practice.

Pharmacists at the VA are actively involved in a wide range of patient care activities, including inpatient, outpatient, and ambulatory care services.

VALOR students have the opportunity to work in a variety of areas throughout the VA medical center, including:

- Inpatient pharmacy
- Outpatient pharmacy
- Formulary Management
- Practice Management
- Anticoagulation
- Hepatitis C Clinic
- Electives



**Department of
Veterans Affairs**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:
March 14th, 2016**

For additional information or to submit your application, contact:

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**A Pharmacy Student Summer
Internship**

**VA Eastern Colorado
Health Care System
Denver, Colorado**

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What is the VALOR Program?

The pharmacy VALOR program at

VA Eastern Colorado is a summer internship program to provide opportunities for outstanding pharmacy students to develop clinical pharmacy practice skills while working at a VA health care facility. There may be an opportunity to extend this internship into the school year as well.

Students spend a total of 400 hours working with clinical pharmacists in a variety of pharmacy practice settings including:

- **Outpatient Pharmacy:** Students will develop skills in prescription review and dispensing, medication counseling, staff education, and medication distribution systems.
- **Inpatient Pharmacy:** Students will participate in IV admixture, kinetics monitoring, medication reconciliation, inpatient anticoagulation, and discharge counseling.
- **Clinical Specialties:** Students can work with pharmacists/pharmacy residents in a variety of clinical specialties including anticoagulation, hepatitis C, ambulatory care, acute care, and psychiatry
- **Formulary Management & Administration:** Students can participate in a variety of projects relevant to patient care at the VA.

Who is Eligible?

Students who...

- Are currently second year Pharm.D. students at an accredited School of Pharmacy
- Are citizens of the United States and meet physical examination standards at the time of entry into the program
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA in professional curriculum of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Are able to attend New Employee Orientation and complete the 10-week summer internship if selected



Program Information

- **Location:** VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System, Denver VA Medical Center
- **Number of Positions:** 2
- **Appointment Period:** May 30th, 2016 to August 5th, 2016
- **Salary:** \$19/hr

Application Requirements

- **Application for Health Professions Trainees** (10-2850D) and **Declaration for Federal Employment** (OF 306), found at <http://www.va.gov/oaa/app-forms.asp>
- **Official Transcript** from School of Pharmacy
- **Curriculum Vitae**
- **Letter of Intent** including career goals and reasons for pursuing the VALOR Program
- **Two Letters of Recommendation** on official letterhead
 - One from the Dean of the School of Pharmacy nominating the student to the program and verifying completion of 2nd year of pharmacy school, full time status, and anticipated graduation within one to two years of VALOR Program entry
 - One from a licensed, practicing pharmacist who knows the student at a professional level (i.e. employment supervisor, preceptor, or faculty)

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Please send all application materials **TOGETHER** to the address listed on the back of this pamphlet.