

The Department of Veterans Affairs  
Illiana Health Care System  
Danville, IL



Pharmacy VA Learning Opportunity  
Residency (VALOR) Program  
2016

## VALOR Program Mission

***Provide patient-centered care to our Nation's Veterans through facilitating educational opportunities for outstanding students to develop advanced skills in clinical pharmacy practice.***



## VALOR Program Synopsis

***VA Illiana provides a unique opportunity for VALOR students to gain valuable experience in inpatient, outpatient, long-term care, urgent care, mental health and ambulatory care clinical settings. The VALOR student will be prepared for a Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) residency with a concentration in ambulatory care or mental health, as well as an entry level position in clinical pharmacy.***

## VALOR Student Learning Opportunities:

- Anticoagulation
- Home-Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Inpatient Pharmacy Services
- Medication Management (Diabetes/Lipids/HTN)
- Mental Health
- Outpatient Pharmacy Services
- Pain Management
- Urgent Care

## Expectations of VALOR Students:

- Train in both inpatient and ambulatory care settings
- Provide administrative assistance to Pharmacy Service
- Create and present various pharmacy projects
- Work closely with the VALOR Program Coordinator to achieve VALOR Program goals

## Eligibility Requirements:

- Completion of P2 year with a >3.0 GPA in core pharmacy curriculum
- Must be a United States citizen and meet physical examination standards at the time of entry in the Pharmacy VALOR Program
- Must be able to complete a minimum of 400 hours - the majority (if not all) of the hours will be earned during the summer months; however, additional hours may be accrued during the school year, if necessary

## Salary:

Earn salary equal to 80% of the local VA facility's per annum salary rate for GS-9, Step 1 as you develop important skills that you can utilize for the rest of your pharmacy career.

## Application Requirements:

Submit the following information to [Erin.Boggs@va.gov](mailto:Erin.Boggs@va.gov):

1. Cover letter
2. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
3. DD-214 (if applicable)
4. Two letters of recommendation - one must be from a licensed, practicing pharmacist who knows the student at a professional level (i.e., employment supervisor, preceptor or faculty).
5. A letter from the Dean or Assistant Dean nominating you and indicating completion of P2 year, full-time enrollment status, and anticipated graduation date.
6. **Official** copy of college transcripts, sent to:

Erin Boggs  
Pharmacy Services (119)  
VA Illiana Health Care System  
1900 East Main Street  
Danville, IL 61832

**ALL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED**

**BY FEBRUARY 19, 2016.**

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