

MARTINEZ/OAKLAND
&
SACRAMENTO

VA Northern California PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

RESIDENCY YEAR 2012-2013

AMBULATORY PRIMARY CARE EXPERIENCES

Anticoagulation^{†*}

Hypertension[†]

Dyslipidemia^{†*}

Diabetes[‡]

Smoking
Cessation[‡]

Medication
Education^{†*}

Home-Based
Primary Care[†]

[†] offered in Sacramento
^{*} offered in Martinez/Oakland

REQUIRED CORE EXPERIENCES

Ambulatory Care I

Ambulatory Care II

Inpatient Care

Drug Information

Telephone Care

Pharmacy
Administration

Pharmacy
Operations

Pharmacy Research
Project

Women's Health
Seminar Series

Physical
Assessment Course

Be an Independent Clinical Pharmacist

The Department of Veterans Affairs Northern California Health Care System (VANCHCS) has a long standing Pharmacy Residency Program dating back to 1980. The Residency Program provides the resident with the opportunity to practice innovative and progressive pharmacy that blends aspects from clinical services, teaching, administration, research, and distribution. Schedules are tailored to each individual resident's goals.



**Martinez Outpatient
Clinic**

The Martinez campus houses outpatient clinics, the Telephone Care Pharmacy (T-Care), the Community Living Center (CLC), and VANCHCS pharmacy administrative offices. The CLC provides residents opportunities to participate in both long-term and acute care activities. Residents will also spend time at the Oakland Outpatient Clinic.



**Sacramento VA Medical
Center**

Sacramento-based residents spend time in outpatient clinics at both Sacramento VA Medical Center and McClellan Outpatient Clinic. The Sacramento VA Medical Center also provides acute care pharmacy services where residents may participate in ICU/TCU, PICU, and medicine rounds with medical staff affiliated with the UC Davis School of Medicine.

All residents will also spend time at our **Drug Information Center** located in **Fairfield**.

Research and Teaching

Residents will complete a research project and present the results at the Western States Conference for Pharmacy Residents and Preceptors. The project will offer opportunities to work with one of the largest patient databases (VA integrated computer system) available in health care.

Management skills will be incorporated throughout the initiation, design, implementation, and presentation processes of the project.

Direct preceptorship of pharmacy students provides the resident with complete responsibility of the student teaching process.

Residents may have the opportunity to lead case conferences and lectures for pharmacy students or healthcare trainees.

Residents will also provide formal and informal presentations to pharmacy students, and pharmacy, nursing, medical, and surgical staff.

AMBULATORY CARE TRACK

**Positions Available:
1 in Martinez/Oakland
2 in Sacramento**

Residents will complete the core learning experiences and are strongly encouraged to continue these experiences as an elective. Some residents choose to incorporate a longitudinal ambulatory care experience into the second half of the year.

PHARMACOECONOMICS TRACK

**Positions Available:
1 in Martinez/Oakland**

This resident will spend ~15 weeks of elective time in a pharmacoeconomics learning experience. We also allow this resident to spend extra time in our drug information and administration experiences.

Elective Experiences

Hematology/Oncology

Mental Health

Managed Care

Pain Management

Infectious Diseases

Poison Control

Geriatrics

Community Learning Center

Intensive Care

Women's Health

Pharmacoeconomics[§]

*Others electives may be
arranged upon request*

[§] Required for Pharmacoeconomics



Benefits

VANCHCS provides the resident with the following benefits:

- **Stipend: \$48,654**
- **Paid Time Off**
 - 10 federal holidays
 - Authorized absences
 - 4 hours of vacation & sick leave per 2 week pay period (up to 13 days each)
- **Education & Travel Allowances for:**
 - CSHP Seminar
 - ASHP Midyear
 - Western States Conference
- **Participation in Bay Area Residency Network (BARN) Conferences**
- **Federal health and other insurance programs**

Current Residents (2011-2012)

Martinez/Oakland

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Application Process

Qualifications of the applicant include:

- Graduate of an accredited college of pharmacy with a Pharm.D. degree
- United States citizenship
- Eligible for pharmacist licensure or current licensure as a pharmacist in one of the US states
- Registered with the ASHP Resident Matching Program (<http://www.natmatch.com/ashprmp>)
- VA Northern California PGY1 Residency Cover Sheet*
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Transcript from accredited school of pharmacy
- Completed VA Form 10-2850C*
- Three (3) Letters of Recommendation from:
 - previous employers, preceptors, mentors, or pharmacy clinical faculty
- Three (3) VANCHCS Residency Applicant Recommendation Request Forms*
(To be completed by the same persons writing letters of recommendation)

* Available on our website

Deadline: January 13, 2012

Send all information to:

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