



**VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION  
PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
& CENTER FOR MEDICATION SAFETY  
HINES, IL 60141**

December 2011

Dear PGY2 Medication Safety and Outcomes Assessment Resident Candidate:

Thank you for your interest in the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (PBM) and Center for Medication Safety (VAMedSAFE) Medication Safety and Outcomes Assessment PGY2 Residency.

The VHA PBM and VAMedSAFE Medication Safety and Outcomes Assessment PGY2 Residency is a 12-month program located at the Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital in Hines, Illinois. This second year residency will provide highly motivated individuals with the opportunity to apply medication safety, outcomes research, and evidence-based medicine practices within the VA system. The goal of this program is to develop advanced knowledge and skills in medication safety and pharmacovigilance in the federal managed care setting. The program is currently in its first year of development and is pending accreditation by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP).

If you are interested in interviewing, please send an e-mail to [Fran.Cunningham@va.gov](mailto:Fran.Cunningham@va.gov). In addition, please complete the attached application. The application materials are due on January 6, 2012. Selected candidates will be contacted for an on-site interview.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions regarding the VHA PBM and VAMedSAFE Medication Safety and Outcomes Assessment PGY2 Residency. My e-mail address and office telephone number are listed below.

Kind Regards,

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(VAMEDSAFE)**

**PGY2 RESIDENCY:  
MEDICATION SAFETY & OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT  
APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Number Street Apartment #*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State Zip Code*

Home Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Academic E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

ASHP Match Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION:**

College of Pharmacy:

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Degree(s):

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Date of Graduation:

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Other College:

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Degree(s):

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Date(s) of Graduation:

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Professional Training:

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**The following must be received by January 6, 2012:**

- Personal Letter/Statement of Intent (1 page)
- Current Curriculum Vitae
- VHA PBM & VAMedSAFE PGY2 Residency – Application
- VHA PBM & VAMedSAFE PGY2 Residency – Essay
- Three (3) Letters of Recommendation from Clinical Faculty or Preceptors that can attest to your communication, clinical and organizational skills
- Official Pharmacy School Transcripts
- Current Photograph

**Mail your application materials to:**

Fran Cunningham, Pharm.D.  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (119D)  
1<sup>st</sup> Avenue - 1 Block North of Cermak Road  
Building 37; Room 139  
Hines, IL 60141

**If you have any questions about the application process, please contact  
Dr. Cunningham:**

E-Mail: [Fran.Cunningham@va.gov](mailto:Fran.Cunningham@va.gov)

Office Telephone Number: (708) 786-7882

**VHA Pharmacy Benefits Management Services (PBM) & VA Center for Medication Safety  
(VAMedSAFE) PGY2 Residency application requirements include the following:**

- Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from an ACPE Accredited College of Pharmacy
- Completion of first year pharmacy residency or equivalent experience
- Pharmacy Licensure in one of the States or territories of the United States or the District of Columbia
- U.S. Citizenship
- On-site Interview

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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**PGY2 RESIDENCY:  
MEDICATION SAFETY & OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT**

***APPLICATION, ESSAY***

*(500 WORD LIMIT)*

Please complete an essay that addresses the following items:

- a) Why have you chosen to pursue a second year residency program?
- b) What elements of a residency program would best meet your expectations?
- c) How do you see yourself contributing to the VHA PBM & VAMedSAFE PGY2 Pharmacy Residency Program?
- d) What are your current and future professional goals?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_