



North Chicago VA Medical Center
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For over 75 years, the North Chicago VA Medical Center has been providing quality health care to our veterans. Today, we are one of eight medical centers within the VA Great Lakes Health Care System, VISN 12, dedicated to effectively meeting the health care needs of our patients.

The North Chicago Veterans Affairs Medical Center is located midway between Milwaukee and Chicago on 125 acres in North Chicago, Illinois. We provide primary care to over 15,000 veterans.

The North Chicago facility has 150 operating hospital beds, 204 nursing home care beds, a 60-bed domiciliary for homeless veterans, and 89 beds for alcohol and drug abuse treatment. In addition to primary care and inpatient services, the North Chicago VAMC provides audiology and speech pathology, ambulatory surgery, dental, mental health and substance abuse, women's health, and rehabilitation medicine services. The North Chicago VAMC is affiliated with the Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, which is located adjacent to the medical center. Each year residents in medicine and psychiatry train at North Chicago VAMC.

The North Chicago VAMC Department of Pharmacy is affiliated with Midwestern University and University of Illinois. Sharing agreement of health care resources between the North Chicago VAMC and the Naval Hospital Great Lakes began 2003.



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PGY1

Pharmacy

Practice

Residency



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MISSION STATEMENT

We are a caring community, proud to provide patient-centered, coordinated health care to Veterans, Navy, and all VA/DoD sharing patients.

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency

PURPOSE

- ★ Create learning opportunities in various patient-care environments utilizing a multidisciplinary approach.
- ★ Develop the knowledge and clinical skills necessary to practice in various patient care settings
- ★ Develop management skills needed to conceptualize, develop, and improve clinical pharmacy services
- ★ Strengthen oral and written communication skills through daily interactions with other health care professionals and patients

PATIENT CARE EXPERIENCES

- ★ Acute Medicine
- ★ Cardiology
- ★ Home Care
- ★ Smoking Cessation
- ★ Primary Care Clinics
- ★ Critical Care
- ★ Extended Care
- ★ Oncology
- ★ Psychiatry
- ★ Pulmonary
- ★ Emergency Medicine

REQUIRED ROTATIONS

- ★ Ambulatory Care
- ★ Long Term Care
- ★ Acute Care
- ★ Administrative
- ★ Psychiatry



LONGITUDINAL EXPERIENCE

- ★ In-patient Hospital Practice
- ★ Co-Precept Pharmacy Students
- ★ Research Project
- ★ Quarterly Newsletter
- ★ Quarterly Journal Reviews
- ★ Drug Information
- ★ Pharmacy Benefit Management
- ★ Non-Formulary Prescription Processing



SPECIAL FEATURES

- ★ Computerized medical record and physician order entry
- ★ Bar Code Medication Administration
- ★ Patient management with prescriptive authority
- ★ In-patient, Pediatrics, Surgery and ER Services provided to Navy Department of Defense patients and families

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ★ Duration: 52 weeks
- ★ Number of positions: 2
- ★ Begins: July 1st
- ★ Staffing: 2 days/month plus 2 holidays
- ★ Vacation days: 13
- ★ Holidays: 8
- ★ Sick days: 13