

All PGY1 Pharmacy Residents:

- Complete a residency research project of publishable quality
- Complete at least one medication use evaluation
- Publish a Clinical Pharmacy and P&T Committee newsletter
- Complete 16—20 hours of pharmacy staffing per month (paid)
- Participate in monthly topic and case presentations
- Participate in journal club
- Provide a continuing educational seminar

Federal Employment

Federal employees have many benefits, including prescribing privileges for Clinical Pharmacy Specialists, the ability to practice with an active pharmacy license from any US state, numerous holidays, and a competitive salary.

Stipend and Benefits

- The residency stipend is approximately \$41,098 annually
- Annual and sick leave are earned every 2 weeks
- Administrative leave is provided for attendance at the Midyear meeting and Southeastern Residency Conference
- Life and health insurance are available
- Residents are paid as a staff pharmacist for staffing hours.

If you are interested in applying to our program, please submit the following by January 10:

1. Letter of Intent
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. Copy of your transcripts
4. Three letters of recommendation
5. Application

An on-site interview is required in January or February.

Application Requirements

Prospective residents must be US citizens, possess or be receiving a Pharm.D. degree and be licensed or eligible for licensure in any state.



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City of Charleston

Charleston has consistently been named the nation's most-mannerly city and top 10 domestic travel destinations by Conde Nast Traveler magazine's Readers Choice Awards. Charleston is a beautifully historic city on the South Carolina coast.

Clinical Pharmacy Services

The Charleston VA Medical Center currently employs more than 35 clinical pharmacy specialists and clinical pharmacists in primary care, geriatrics, inpatient medicine, critical care, specialty clinics (anemia, pain management, endocrinology, HIV/ID, rheumatology, cardiovascular risk reduction) and administration. In addition to the residency program, we provide rotation sites for pharmacy students from several pharmacy schools.

Educational Affiliations

The Charleston VA Medical Center is a teaching and research institution affiliated with the Medical University of South Carolina. We are a training site for health professionals of many disciplines.

PGY1 Residency Purpose Statement

We develop pharmacist clinicians for patient care positions, adjunct faculty positions, or PGY2 training.

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PGY1 Residency Program Overview

The Ralph H. Johnson VAMC offers a 12-month PGY1 pharmacy practice residency.

The goal of the residency is to develop the resident's skills and competency in providing patient-centered care as part of multi-disciplinary primary care, specialty care, and inpatient teams.

With 9 core rotations and 2 elective months, the resident is able to tailor the residency program to his/her interest area(s).

Residency Program Specifics:

- Duration: 12 months
- Number of Positions: 6
- Application Deadline: January 10
- Starting Date: July 1
- Estimated Stipend: \$41,098

Residents have the opportunity to participate in the teaching certificate program at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy, MUSC Campus. The college will award a "certificate of academic preparation" upon completion.

Sample Yearly Schedule for PGY1 residents

July	Orientation
August	Primary Care
September	Specialty 1
October	Inpatient Medicine
November	Geriatrics
December	P&T Committee
January	Specialty 2
February	Critical Care
March	CV Risk Reduction Clinic
April	Specialty 3
May	Elective
June	Elective

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Following orientation in July, the residency is made up of core and elective experiences.

Core Experiences: 9 months

- Primary Care
 - Pharmacotherapy Clinics
(HTN, DM, CHF, lipids)
- CV Risk Reduction Clinic
- Specialty 1
- Geriatrics
- Inpatient Adult Medicine
- Specialty 2
- Specialty 3
- Critical Care
- P&T Committee

Longitudinal (1 day/week): 6 months

- Anticoagulation

Elective experiences: 2 months

During these months, the resident tailors the residency to his/her interest area (s).

Inpatient-based electives:

- Geriatrics II
- Inpatient Adult Medicine II
- Critical Care II
- Chemotherapy Patient Safety
- Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN)

Ambulatory Care-based electives:

- Primary Care Clinic
- Primary Care Community Based Clinic
- Specialty Clinics
 - Cardiovascular Risk Reduction
 - Geriatrics
 - Anemia Clinic
 - HIV/ID Clinic
 - Endocrinology & DM Teaching
 - Rheumatology Clinic
 - Mental Health
 - Emergency Department
 - Pain Management