

# ABOUT US

The Atlanta VA Healthcare System is a Joint Commission accredited medical facility located in Decatur, Georgia – just minutes from downtown Atlanta. The main medical center is a level 1A tertiary care facility which delivers patient-centered healthcare via an array of comprehensive medical, surgical, social and specialty services, as well as state-of-the-art diagnostic testing sites. As a teaching and research institution, affiliation with other educational organizations is an integral part of our practice. Affiliations include but are not limited to: Emory University, Morehouse College, Mercer University, and Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.



## We Stay with VA!

At the Atlanta VA Healthcare System, over half of the Clinical Pharmacy Practitioners have completed a VA residency and continued as a full-time VA employee!

Training as a VA pharmacy resident provides you with the specialized skills needed to become an exceptional VA employee.

Check out the benefits the VA has to offer!  
[www.vacareers.va.gov/careers/pharmacists](http://www.vacareers.va.gov/careers/pharmacists)



## ATLANTA VA HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Practice  
Residency Program

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Atlanta VA Health Care System

## Program Goals:

The Atlanta VA Healthcare System offers one position for a 52 week ASHP accredited PGY-2 residency in geriatrics. The PGY-2 program builds on the knowledge and skills acquired during PGY-1 training to prepare pharmacists in the specialized field of geriatric medicine. The primary objectives of the residency are to foster independence in diverse healthcare environments and to ensure the provision of high-quality, compassionate, patient-centered care of older adults.

## Requirements:\*

- U.S. Citizenship
- Licensure maintained in good standing to practice in the U.S.
- Completion of an ASHP Accredited PGY-1 pharmacy residency program (residency certificate due within 2 weeks of start date)
- VA Form 10-2850D: Application for Health Professions Trainee
- VA Form OF 306: Declaration for Federal Employment
  - VA forms can be found at [www.va.gov/vaforms](http://www.va.gov/vaforms)
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum Vitae
- Official pharmacy school transcript
- Three letters of recommendations (including one from PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Director)
- Application submitted via PhORCAS

*\* Requirements may vary for early commitment applicants. Failure to complete all requirements by deadlines may result in disqualification or termination*

# PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

## Introductory Experiences: (3 weeks)

- Orientation

## Core Experiences: (5 weeks each)

- Concentrated:
  - Geriatric Patient Aligned Care Team 1
  - Geriatric Patient Aligned Care Team 2
  - Long-Term Care 1
  - Long-Term Care 2
  - Home Based Primary Care 1
  - Home Based Primary Care 2
- Rotational:
  - Palliative Care
  - Pharmacy Management
  - Geriatric Psychiatric Medicine
  - Cardiology

## Longitudinal Experiences: (12 months)

- Journal Club & Grand Rounds
- Geriatric Research Education Clinical Center (GRECC)
- Mercer University Teaching Certificate Program (Optional)

## Elective Experiences: (5 weeks)

*Resident chooses one elective option from below:*

- Hematology/Oncology
- Population Management
- Internal Medicine
- May repeat any core experiences as approved

## Meetings:

- American Geriatrics Society (AGS) Annual Scientific Meeting
- Scientific Meeting South Eastern Residency Conference (SERC)

*\*Registration reimbursement provided per budget availability*

## Program Benefits:

- Competitive stipend
  - \*\$53,484 as of 2023, may vary*
- Health and life insurance offered
- Paid vacation and sick days
- 11 federal holidays

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## How to Apply:

Please apply via PhORCAS

NMS code: 782054

Application Deadline: January 10<sup>th</sup>

