



**VA SIERRA NEVADA  
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**

Ioannis A. Lougaris Medical Center



# APPLICATION

## QUALIFICATIONS

- ◆ United States citizen
- ◆ Graduate from an ACPE accredited school of pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree
- ◆ Licensed or eligible for licensure as a pharmacist

## APPLICATION

- ◆ Written response to prompted questions
- ◆ Curriculum Vitae
- ◆ Three (3) professional references
- ◆ Official College of Pharmacy Transcript(s)

**Additional Information can be found at:**

<https://www.va.gov/sierra-nevada-health-care/work-with-us/internships-and-fellowships/pharmacy-residency-program-pgy1/>

**All application and supplemental materials should be submitted via the PhORCAS system:**

<http://www.ashp.org/phorcas>

**General PGY1 Match ID#:170013**

**Application must be submitted  
by: January 7th**

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the PGY1 pharmacy practice residency at VASNHCs please contact:

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*"To care for him who shall have borne the  
battle and his widow and his orphan."*



*Abraham Lincoln*

**PHARMACY  
PRACTICE RESIDENCY**

**PGY1**

**VA** |  U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs

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# PGY1 PHARMACY PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

We have longstanding history of clinical pharmacy at VA Sierra Nevada Care System (VASNHCS). Our program incorporates a progressive view of pharmacy practice, utilizing informatics, automation and advanced clinical technician skills to support our pharmaceutical services. Residents will participate in the ongoing revision and improvement of a managed health care system. VASNHCS provides tremendous opportunities to include the development of pharmaceutical care plans with defined outcomes utilizing collaborative drug therapy management and systems that support a progressive view of pharmacy practice. After completing their residency, pharmacists will be able to independently manage patients in a variety of disease states and practice settings. They will initiate, modify, and evaluate drug therapy according to defined outcomes and under an expansive scope of practice. Practice management experiences include formulary system management, committee involvement, grand rounds presentations, journal clubs, leadership discussions and a residency project presented at Western States Conference.

This progressive residency in Pharmacy Practice is designed to emphasize the development and training of a clinical practitioner who can improve drug therapy and excel in future professional endeavors. The resident will assess, design, recommend and monitor patient-specific pharmacotherapy in a variety of direct patient care settings. The resident will participate in the ongoing revision and development of a managed care health system with a primary care emphasis. Opportunities include the development of skills in utilizing health care systems that support an expanded view of pharmacy practice.

The resident will develop these skills through participation in rotations and electives including:

#### Required learning experiences:

- \* Orientation (4 weeks)
- \* Ambulatory Care (4 weeks)
- \* Anticoagulation (4 weeks)
- \* Geriatrics (CLC) (5 weeks)
- \* Infectious Disease (4 weeks)
- \* Inpatient Pharmacy Operations (2 weeks)
- \* Internal Medicine (4 weeks)
- \* Outpatient Pharmacy Operations (2 week)
- \* Pharmacoeconomics (4 weeks)
- \* 1-weekend per month staffing

#### Elective learning experiences

- \* Academic Detailing (4 weeks)
- \* Advanced Ambulatory Care (4 weeks)
- \* Emergency Medicine (4 weeks)
- \* Home Based Primary Care (4 weeks)
- \* Hospice/Palliative Care (4 weeks)
- \* ICU (4 weeks)
- \* Inpatient Mental Health (4 weeks)
- \* Oncology (4 weeks)
- \* Pain Management (4 weeks)
- \* Specialty Pharmacy Clinic (4 weeks)
- \* VISN 21 Population Health Management (4 weeks)

Obtaining a teaching and learning certificate is a requirement of the program. During the year, there is also the opportunity to precept students from a variety of schools of pharmacy.

In addition, the resident will participate in the completion of a formal project that will be presented at the Western States Residency Conference.

*Other residencies affiliated with this program include:*

- ◆ Geriatric Pharmacy (PGY2)
- ◆ Psychiatric Pharmacy (PGY2)
- ◆ Pharmacy Outcomes and Healthcare Analytics (PGY2)

## Six(6) PGY1 Pharmacy Resident Positions Available

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## BENEFITS

- ◆ Current resident salary is \$47,397 per year
- ◆ Eligible for medical and life insurance as a VA employee – multiple plans available
- ◆ Thirteen (13) days of annual leave
- ◆ Thirteen (13) days of sick leave
- ◆ 11 Federal holidays (some of which will be staffed)
- ◆ Support with tuition and travel to ASHP Midyear Meeting and Western States Residency Conference.

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## ABOUT VASNHCS RENO

The VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System (VASNHCS) provides a wide array of inpatient and outpatient services in medicine, surgery, women's health, mental health, alcohol and drug treatment, interventional cardiology and radiology, neurology, as well as clinical pharmacy services. Our care extends beyond the Reno metropolitan area with community based outpatient clinics (CBOCs)/outreach clinics in Fallon, Minden, and Winnemucca, Nevada, as well as Susanville, California.

The Ioannis A. Lougaris Medical Center in Reno, Nevada is the primary facility where residents train. This 60 bed primary care hospital is affiliated with the University of Nevada Reno School of Medicine, the Idaho State University School of Pharmacy, and the Roseman University of Health Sciences. The medical center provides care to approximately 35,000 patients in Northern Nevada, Southern Oregon and Northeast California. There is also an on-site 60-bed long term skilled nursing facility.

The hospital is located minutes from Lake Tahoe, the Sierra Nevada mountains, and world-class skiing. Reno offers an ideal climate for outdoor activities, many entertainment opportunities, and the Bay Area, Napa Valley, and Yosemite are within a four-hour drive.

The progressive Pharmacy Service consists of 100+ full-time employees. Formal educational programs are offered for pharmacy residents and Pharm.D. students as well as residents and students from Internal Medicine, Family Practice, Surgery, Psychiatry, Psychology, Social Worker, and Nursing Programs.

Inpatient pharmacists are actively involved in rounds, patient drug therapy design, implementation, and monitoring, inpatient anticoagulation adjustment, pharmacokinetics, TPN formulation, antimicrobial stewardship, geriatrics, discharge counseling, drug information, DUE/ADR reporting, and many other patient care functions. Outpatient Pharmacy distribution is accomplished by state-of-the-art robotics. Clinical Pharmacy Specialists work collaboratively under an expanded scope of practice in many areas of the facility, such as Ambulatory Care, Mental Health, Specialty, Pain, Anticoagulation, Home Based Primary Care, Infectious Disease and Oncology. Pharmacy services is considered an integral part of VASNHCS.