

VA-Butler, PA-Butler VA Health Care System

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Veterans Health Administration Butler VA Health Care System



About the Butler VA

The Butler VA has been attending to the care of veterans within the Western Pennsylvania region since 1947 and is the healthcare choice for over 70,000 veterans. The Butler VA Health Care System consists of a Health Care Center, a 60-bed Community Living Center and a 56-bed residential treatment domiciliary located in Butler, Pennsylvania. In addition to the core facilities, the Butler VA Health Care System also includes five associated Community-Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) within the surrounding counties. These facilities offer comprehensive veteran care including primary, specialty and mental health care.



The purpose of this PGY1 pharmacy residency program is to build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives. Residents who successfully complete PGY1 residency programs will be skilled in diverse patient care, practice management, leadership, and education, and be prepared to provide patient care, seek board certification in pharmacotherapy (i.e., BCPS), and pursue advanced education and training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies.

PGY1 Residency Program Structure

The residency provides an integrated experience in ambulatory care, drug information, and practice management. Program space is available for two residents. The program is tailored to address the needs and goals of each individual resident, while providing a basic foundation necessary for a high level of clinical pharmacy practice.

Under the guidance of the clinical pharmacy team at the Butler VA, each resident will gain invaluable experience through the following required and elective rotations.

Required rotations include:

- Introduction/Orientation
- Inpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Outpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Ambulatory/Primary Care
- Long-term Care / Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Anticoagulation Management
- Practice Management (Longitudinal)
- Staffing / Service (Longitudinal)
- Major Project (Longitudinal)

Elective rotations include:

- Pain Management
- Behavioral Health / Academic Detailing
- Substance Use Disorder / Domiciliary
- Home Based Primary Care
- Advanced Anticoagulation Management
- Advanced Ambulatory / Primary Care
- Advanced Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Advanced Long-term Care

Benefits

- Competitive stipend
- 13 days of paid accrued annual leave (vacation)
- 13 days of paid accrued sick leave
- 11 paid federal holidays
- Educational leave for attendance at professional meetings if needed
- Affordable health insurance; including medical, dental and vision
- Access to the VA health care system for opportunities for education and networking nationwide
- Free parking
- Complimentary scrubs
- Liability insurance is not required



About the Area

The Butler VA Health Care System is located in the heart of Butler County, just north of the city of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The area hosts a magnitude of year-round recreational activities. List below are just a handful of local attractions near Butler, PA.

- Moraine State Park & Lake Arthur
- Glade Run Lake
- North Country Trail
- Lernerville Speedway
- UPMC Lemieux Sports Complex
- PPG Paints Arena
- PNC Park
- Acrisure Stadium
- National Aviary

- Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium
- Benedum Center
- Heinz Hall
- Carnegie Museum of Natural History
- The Andy Warhol Museum
- Carnegie Science Center
- Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens
- McConnells Mills State Park
- North Park



Qualifications

- Must be a citizen of the United States for federal employment
- Must be a graduate of or eligible for graduation from an Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) accredited college of pharmacy
- Must be licensed or eligible for licensure as a pharmacist in any state and adhere to the program licensure policy
- Must participate in and adhere to the rules of the Resident Matching Program (RMP) process
- Must be available to participate in a personal interview
- Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a physical exam, including negative drug test.
- It is VA policy that all VA Administrations and Staff
 Offices will implement a mandatory Covid-19
 vaccination program by requiring all employees,
 including VHA HCP, to receive a Covid-19
 vaccination or obtain an exception for medical or
 religious reasons. Compliance with this policy is a
 requirement and employees in violation of this
 policy may face disciplinary action up to and
 including removal from federal service.

Application Requirements

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Official college of pharmacy academic transcript(s)
- Three letters of recommendation

VA Drug-Free Workplace Program

Please refer to the following link regarding information on the VA Drug-Free Workplace Program for Health Professions Trainees:

https://www.va.gov/OAA/onboarding/ VHA_HPTsDrug-FreeWorkplaceOAA_HRA.pdf

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