

VA Puget Sound Overview

The VA Puget Sound Health Care System (VAPSHCS) is a 421-bed acute care center that provides tertiary care for veterans in Western Washington. VAPSHCS consists of two main medical facilities and 7 community-based outpatient clinics. Services are also provided to veterans referred from Alaska, Eastern Washington, & Northern Idaho. The VA is affiliated with the University of Washington and has many allied health training programs (medicine, pharmacy, nursing, etc.). Pharmacy services include inpatient medicine, long-term care, critical care, emergency medicine, surgery, primary care, substance abuse, pain, mental health, endocrinology, oncology, spinal cord injury, and bone marrow transplant. VAPSHCS has one of the largest research programs in the VA.

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PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Administration and Leadership Residency

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Pharmacists

Program Overview

About the Facility

- Two divisions:
 - Seattle (Beacon Hill)
 - American Lake (Outside Tacoma)
- Several Community-Based Outpatient Clinics throughout the Puget Sound area
- Large 1A tertiary care teaching hospital
- First VA bone marrow transplant center
- Various medical specialties, including regional Spinal Cord Injury treatment program

Program Structure

- 12-month PGY2 HSPAL residency
- Mix of block and longitudinal rotations
- Opportunities to precept project-based learning experiences for PGY1 pharmacy residents
- Optional paid hourly staffing with dual appointment (in addition to residency stipend)

Benefits

- Competitive resident stipend
- Dual appointment salary for weekend staffing (optional)
- Healthcare benefits
- 13 accrued vacation days
- 13 accrued sick leave days
- 11 federal holidays
- Office space
- Free on-site parking & nearby transit access



Rotations

Block Rotations (vary in length)

- Orientation
- Outpatient operational management
- Inpatient operational management
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Quality assurance and regulatory compliance
- Medication safety
- Inpatient clinical management
- Ambulatory care clinical management
- Budget and finance

Longitudinal Rotations

- Formulary management
- Human resources/Leadership
- Longitudinal residency project

Additional Activities

- Longitudinal residency project
- Facilitate P&T Committee
- Co-precept at least one PGY1 MUE or longitudinal project
- Involvement in facility- and service line-wide clinical and operational initiatives, accreditation, and regulatory compliance, such as:
 - ⇒ Accreditation by ASHP and The Joint Commission
 - ⇒ Updating policies
 - ⇒ Development of new and improvement of existing clinical services
 - ⇒ Monitoring operational and clinical workload and outcomes, and developing improvements based on needs assessment

"Serving those who served us."

How to Apply

Qualifications

- Standard applicant requirements:
 - United States citizenship
 - Completion of PGY1 pharmacy residency
 - Doctor of Pharmacy degree
 - Pharmacist licensure in any US state
 - Participation in interview process
 - Participation in the NMS Residency Matching Program

How to Apply

Applications are accepted through the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS) system.

Standard application should include:

1. Letter of intent
2. Curriculum vitae
3. Three letters of recommendation via PhORCAS
 - ⇒ One must be from PGY1 residency program director
 - ⇒ Two must be from the PGY1 residency site (such as preceptors or mentors)

Application Deadline

Sunday, January 15, 2023

