Pharmacy Resident Information

- ASHP accredited
- Twelve-month residency
- Minimum hours: Monday-Friday (8am -4:30pm)
- Estimated Stipend: ~$41,166/year
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree required
- Licensure may be through any U.S. State Board of Pharmacy
- Onsite interview required
- Start date: July 1
- Medical and life insurance available
- 10 Federal holidays
- 13 annual leave and 13 sick days (accrued)
- Administrative leave for educational opportunities available.

APPLICATION MATERIALS
- Completed PHORCAS application
- Pharmacy School Transcript
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum Vitae
- 3 Professional Reference Letters

Applications must be received by the first Friday in January.

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Pharmacy Resident Program

Post-Graduate Year - 1

For further information or questions, please feel free to contact:

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ABOUT THE TUSCALOOSA VA MEDICAL CENTER

The Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center is located on a beautiful 125 acre campus in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The Medical Center provides primary care, long-term health care, and mental health care services to eligible veterans. The Outpatient Services in Primary Care provides services to thousands of veterans each year. Clinical Pharmacists are extensively involved in the Primary Care Clinics to help manage anticoagulation, diabetes mellitus, hyperlipidemia, hypertension, Hepatitis C, and other disease states. Clinical Pharmacists are also involved in inpatient and outpatient mental health, long term care, and home based primary care.

RESIDENCY BACKGROUND

• Sponsored by TVAMC
• Established & ASHP accredited in 1997
• Previous residents have secured clinical pharmacy positions in state, private, and federal institutions.
• In 2007, the PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program derived from a Primary Care Specialty Residency. TVAMC also has a PGY2 in Psychiatry.

RESIDENCY GOAL

Pharmacists completing this residency will:
• Be competent and confident practitioners of pharmaceutical care in the areas of primary care, mental health, and long-term care.
• Be accountable for enhancing drug therapy outcomes and improving medication safety as a member of the health care team.
• Exercise skill in educating healthcare professionals, patients, and the community on drug related topics
• Develop a professional practice encompassing TVAMC’s core values of providing excellence in healthcare, research, technology, and education.
• Display a commitment to the profession of pharmacy, desire for continued professional growth, and exercise leadership to achieve departmental goals.

Possess skills which will enable them to pursue a variety of career interests requiring pharmacological expertise.

RESIDENCY PRESENTATION & PROJECT REQUIREMENTS:

• Two (2) In-service presentations to the medical and/or pharmacy staff
• Research Project Presentation & poster (as applicable)
• Two (2) Community Service projects
• One (1) Medication Use Evaluation
• Quarterly Pharmacy Newsletters

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Required Learning Experiences:
• Orientation (July)
• Primary Care (8 weeks)
• Mental Health (8 weeks)
• Geriatrics (4 weeks)
• Medicine (4 weeks)
• Pharmacy Management (4 weeks)
• Home Based Primary Care (4 weeks)

Required Longitudinal Experiences: (12 months)
• Drug Information
• Staffing in outpatient & inpatient pharmacy (avg 4 hours/week, may include weekends)
• Research Project

POTENTIAL ELECTIVES

May select (3) electives: (4 weeks/each)
• Geriatrics
• Home Based Primary Care
• Pedagogic rotation through Samford University MSOP (Longitudinal)
• Medicine
• Mental Health
• Primary Care (Tuscaloosa or Selma CBOC)
• Pain Management
• Pharmacy Management