PGY2 Pain Management & Palliative Care Pharmacy Residency

San Francisco VA Health Care System

Application

Application Deadline: January 7, 2019
NMS Code: 603073

- Please submit application via PhORCAS
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- 3 letters of recommendation
- Official college of pharmacy transcripts
- On-site interview with formal 20-minute clinical presentation
- Completion of an ASHP accredited PGY1 residency or one in the ASHP accreditation process

Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a physical exam, including a negative drug test. Applicants must meet requirements for federal employment and U.S. Citizenship.

The residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking related information from any residency applicant.

Benefits

- Stipend - $52,942
- 10 paid Federal holidays
- 13 Vacation days
- 13 Sick days
- Health Insurance (optional)

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## Program

**Purpose**
PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.

**Description**
The PGY2 Pain Management and Palliative Care Pharmacy Residency at the San Francisco VA Health Care System is a one-year specialty residency designed to prepare a pharmacist to practice as a pain management and/or palliative care Clinical Pharmacy Specialist. The residency program includes training alongside a variety of multidisciplinary pain management, addiction medicine, and palliative care teams. This residency affords direct patient care opportunities within the inpatient, perioperative, and ambulatory care settings.

## Learning Experience

### Program Objectives
- Develop clinical skills necessary to provide safe and effective pain management.
- Demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills.
- Effectively integrate with interprofessional teams.
- Develop leadership and management skills.
- Provide effective education to patients and other health care professionals.
- Conduct quality improvement study and/or medication use evaluation.

### Core Rotations
- Orientation
- Chronic Pain Clinic
- Integrated Pain Team Clinic
- Perioperative Pain Clinic
- Acute Pain
- Palliative Care
- Hospice
- Home-Based Primary Care
- Prescription Opioid Safety Team/Addiction
- Mental Health

### Longitudinal Experiences
- Residency Project
- Specialty Care Access Network - Extension for Community Health Care Outcomes (SCAN-ECHO)
- Non-Formulary Drug Requests/Medication Use Evaluation
- Opioid Safety Initiative Committee
- Teaching Certificate (optional)

### Elective Rotations
- Hematology and Oncology

## Team

Learn from an interprofessional team including:
- Pharmacists
- Physicians
- Nurse Practitioners
- Clinical Psychologists
- Anesthesiologists
- Psychiatrists
- Physical Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Dieticians
- Nurses
- Chaplains

The resident will work as an active member of interprofessional teams and gain experience in all aspects of pain management including pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches. This program emphasizes team-based care to provide optimal therapy to improve health outcomes.

### Conferences & Seminars (optional)
- American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) Midyear Clinical Meeting
- California Society of Health System Pharmacists (CSHP) Seminar
- Western States Residency Conference
- PainWeek Conference

*Due to budget constraints, VA San Francisco cannot guarantee travel funding for residents.*