VA SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

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PGY2
2024–2025 Pharmacy Residency Programs
Welcome to VASD!

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We hope to see you at one of our showcases or open houses!

**CSHP Seminar – In-Person Showcase (Booth 315)**
Saturday, Oct 14: 2:30-6 PM PST

**ASHP Midyear Residency Showcase (Booth 4039)**
Monday, Dec 4: 1-4 PM PST

**VA/IHS Virtual Residency Showcases:**
- **PGY2 Ambulatory Care**
  Thursday, Oct. 19 4-6PM EST
  Via Teams
- **PGY2 Palliative Care/Pain Management Pharmacy**
  Wednesday, Oct. 18 2-4PM EST
  Via Teams
- **PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy**
  Thursday, Oct 19 6-8PM EST
  Via Teams

Click here to see an interactive map of our main hospital!

Please fill out this form to request information about our upcoming open houses

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VASD HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

CORE VALUES

I.C.A.R.E.

Integrity:
Act with high moral principle.

Commitment:
Work diligently to serve veterans and other beneficiaries.

Advocacy:
Be truly veteran-centric by identifying, fully considering, and appropriately advancing the interests of veterans and other beneficiaries.

Respect:
Treat all those I serve and with whom I work with dignity and respect.

Excellence:
Strive for the highest quality and continuous improvement.

VHA MISSION

Honor America’s Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being.

VHA VISION

Continue to be the benchmark of excellence and value in health care and benefits by providing exemplary services that are both patient centered and evidence based.

This care will be delivered by engaged, collaborative teams in an integrated environment that supports learning, discovery and continuous improvement.

It will emphasize prevention and population health and contribute to the nation’s well-being through education, research and service in national emergencies.

High quality healthcare for 89,500 Veterans in the San Diego and Imperial Valley counties in fiscal year 2021

Locations

- Medical Center in La Jolla
- Seven community-based outpatient clinics:
  - Chula Vista
  - Escondido
  - Imperial Valley
  - Kearney Mesa
  - Rio
  - Oceanside
  - Sorrento Valley
- Residential rehabilitation treatment program: ASPIRE

Services

INPATIENT & OUTPATIENT

MEDICAL
Primary care, allergy, oncology, chiropractic, dermatology, gynecology, traumatic brain injury, physical therapy, rheumatology, sleep medicine, spinal cord injury, etc.

MENTAL HEALTH
Addiction and substance use care, behavioral health, military sexual trauma care, PTSD, suicide prevention

GERIATRIC
Palliative and hospice care

Teaching environment

1271 Medical interns, residents and fellows

526 Health professional trainees including 45 pharmacy residents and students along with learners from nursing, dental, and dietetics
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OUR VALUES
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Patient-centric, Patience, Proactive. Professional
Helpful, Honest
Accessible
Responsible, Respectful
Meticulous, Mentor
Accurate
Caring, Clinical, Competent, Collaborative
Because Veterans come first

Provision of Care
Our Ambulatory Care Clinical Pharmacists, Inpatient Clinical Pharmacists, and Clinical Pharmacy Practitioners provide a wide range of pharmaceutical care services to veterans in the inpatient and outpatient settings 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

10 ASHP-Accredited Residency Programs

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<td>Psychiatry</td>
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Staff & Preceptors

- **75 pharmacists** serve as preceptors to our resident trainees
- **Most have greater than 5 years of experience** serving as a preceptor to residents and many are board certified including: BCPS, BCACP, BCCP, BCCCP, BCGP, BCOP, BCIDP, and BCPP
- More than half possess **Scopes of Practices** which allow for **prescriptive authority**
- Our preceptors are committed to supporting the residency program and assisting residents throughout the year.
**PURPOSE STATEMENT:**

PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency training to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives for advanced practice areas. Residents who successfully complete PGY2 residency programs are prepared for advanced patient care or other specialized positions, and board certification in the advanced practice area, if available.

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### PAY & BENEFITS

**12-month appointment:**

7/15/2024 - 7/11/2025

**Estimated PGY2 Stipend:** $57,078

**Phase I Deadline:** 1/2/2024

**Benefits**

- 13 days Annual Leave (“vacation”) and 13 days of Sick Leave
- Leave is earned at the rate of 4 hours every 2 weeks
- 11 federal holidays
- Health insurance options (vision/dental included)
- Newly renovated resident office
- White coats and scrubs
- Free parking off-site or transit benefits pass for public transportation
- Professional Meetings
- Authorized Absence (leave with pay) to attend pre-approved professional conferences
- Partial financial support for registration fees and travel expenses to attend selected meetings

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### PHARMACIST LICENSE REQUIREMENT

The resident must be licensed in any of the 50 states to practice as a pharmacist at VA San Diego Healthcare System within 120 days from the first day of their residency program. Noncompliance will result in termination from the program.

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### RESIDENT PRECEPTING PROGRAM

- Our pharmacy residents participate in the teaching of approximately 30 Doctor of Pharmacy students from the University of the Pacific and University of California, San Diego Schools of Pharmacy
- Pharmacy Residents serve as a preceptor to APPE students during rotations by providing formal and informal teaching and mentoring
- Residents facilitate weekly conferences consisting of topic discussions and clinical case presentations

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### TEACHING CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

- All pharmacy residents may participate in a Skill Development Series, which includes regularly scheduled discussion of research-related topics such as study methodology, biostatistics, literature evaluation, individual residency research projects and other contemporary topics relevant to health care professionals
- Teaching Certificate Program through the San Diego Pharmacy Residency Leaders Program (SDPRL) is offered to all pharmacy residents (optional for PGY2s) and consists of didactic seminars and assignments, development of a personal teaching philosophy and providing formal teaching experiences in clinical rotational settings

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### STAFFING AND/OR PER DIEM

**REQUIRED** “Staffing” or “Service” components as designated by specialty program

**OPTIONAL** opportunities to work per diem inpatient or outpatient at VASD in ADDITION to rotation hours. Per diem is NOT guaranteed and restrictions may be placed on number of hours (case-by-case basis)
**Program Overview:**

Our PGY-2 Ambulatory Care Residency program can be tailored to one’s interests and is devoted to developing the skills and clinical expertise needed for the delivery of patient-centered care. Our clinical pharmacy specialists (CPS) possess scopes of practice to provide comprehensive medication management (CMM) to veterans seen in Primary Care and specialty clinics.

Upon completion of this program, graduates will be competent to pass the Board Certification in Ambulatory Care and be capable of obtaining employment with prescriptive authority to provide collaborative drug therapy management to adult and geriatric patients. Graduates will be proficient in providing the following services:

- Provide a high level of effective, efficient, evidence-based patient-centered care for chronic diseases encountered in Primary and Specialty Care Clinics
- Demonstrate excellence as educators/mentors/preceptors to pharmacy trainees and other health-care professionals
- Demonstrate leadership and practice management skills
- Promote health improvement, wellness, and disease prevention and serve as the ultimate resource on optimal prescribing of medications

**Service Commitment:**

Residents will staff 1 day per week in the Outpatient Pharmacy. Additional staffing responsibilities vary depending on the elective learning experiences.

**Facilities:**

The resident office is located at the VA Medical Center in La Jolla, California and most activities will occur at this site. However, travel is required to the surrounding Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) within San Diego County.

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**ROTATION STRUCTURE**

**Non-VA rotations are extremely limited**

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**LONGITUDINAL COMPONENTS**

| Service Enhancement Project | Student Teaching and Workshops | Research Project |

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Program Overview:
• This residency is designed for graduates to develop the skills and confidence necessary to practice as a critical care pharmacist specialist and be eligible for board certification. Residents will become an integrated member of an interdisciplinary team to provide comprehensive medication management in pulmonary, cardiology, emergency medicine, and surgical services. Responsibilities include direct patient care, teaching health professionals/trainees, and completing a research project related to the critical care environment.

Educational Goals:
• In collaboration with the health care team, provide comprehensive medication management to critically ill patients following a consistent patient care process
• Demonstrate ability to manage formulary and medication-use processes for critically ill patients, as applicable to the organization
• Demonstrate leadership skills for successful self-development in the provision of care for critically ill patients
• Provide effective medication and practice-related education to critically ill patients, caregivers, health care professionals, students, and the public (individuals and groups)
• Demonstrate the skills necessary to conduct a critical care pharmacy research project

Learning Experiences
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<td>Off-site* (local affiliated facilities): Trauma, Emergency Medicine, Bone Marrow Transplant (BMT), Adult ICU, Neonatal and Pediatric ICU</td>
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*Non-VA rotations are subject to availability and require CA licensure

LONGITUDINAL COMPONENTS

Medication Use Evaluation (MUE)
Committee Involvement. Participation on Alaris, Resuscitation, and Critical Care Multidisciplinary Committee
Formal Research Project. Abstract and platform presentation at South-West VA Conference

Facilities: The resident office is located at the VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS) in San Diego, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site.

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PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy

Program Overview:
- Our PGY2 residency program in psychiatry is designed to foster competency in the area of clinical psychiatric pharmacotherapy. Residents develop advanced clinical skills through hands-on participation in ambulatory and acute care rotations. Selected core experiences include direct patient care responsibilities in an acute inpatient general psychiatry unit, ambulatory care mental health medication management clinics, residential/domiciliary programs, and an inter-professional consult liaison service. One elective rotation can be chosen based on the resident’s interests. Most of our psychiatric pharmacists possess Scopes of Practice that allow them to practice independently as mid-level healthcare providers. Graduates of our program are trained to become knowledgeable, well-rounded psychiatric pharmacy specialists.

Learning Objectives:
Upon successful completion of the program, the resident will be able to:
- Serve as an authoritative resource on optimal medication use in individuals with neuropsychiatric disorders
- Optimize outcomes for patients with a variety of psychiatric and neuropsychiatric disorders by providing evidence-based, patient-centered medication therapy as an integral member of multidisciplinary treatment teams
- Evaluate and improve the medication-use process in psychiatric and neuropsychiatric patient care areas
- Conduct psychiatric pharmacy practice and outcomes research
- Serve as a psychiatric pharmacy preceptor for advanced pharmacy practice experiences and PGY1 residents
- Obtain board certification in psychiatric pharmacy (BCPP)

Facilities:
- The resident office will be located at the VA Medical Center in La Jolla, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site. Other clinical experiences include outpatient clinics in Kearny Mesa and Oceanside.

Rotation Structure

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<td>Elective (Non-VA rotations are extremely limited)</td>
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Longitudinal Components

| Pharmacy Practice Management | Research and Case Conferences | Teaching and Education |

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Program Overview:
• This specialty residency is designed to prepare a pharmacy practitioner for an operational management/supervisory role in a variety of work settings. This residency lays a strong foundation for continued growth in management and leadership skills with the expectation that with several years of successful pharmacy administration practice, the residency graduate should be ready to assume high-level managerial, supervisory, and leadership responsibilities of a large hospital or health-system pharmacy.

Program Description:
• This is a twelve-month postgraduate year two program that provides training and experience in Health System Pharmacy Administration. Pharmacists completing this PGY2 specialty residency will build off their PGY1 residency competencies in the delivery of patient-centered care and pharmacy operational services.

Learning Objectives:
• Develop an understanding of the principles of administration and leadership in a highly innovative integrated healthcare system.
• Develop an understanding and competency in managing and leading a large complex pharmacy organization.
• Develop skills in research design and data analysis to assess pharmaceutical-related economic, clinical, and humanistic health outcomes.

Facilities:
• The resident office will be located at the VA Medical Center in La Jolla, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site.

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LONGITUDINAL COMPONENTS

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Program Overview:
• This PGY2 Pharmacy Informatics residency will provide the skills necessary for the practical application of pharmacy informatics and automated technology assessment principles in integrated healthcare systems. The resident will be involved with every aspect in the management of pharmacy data applications, data support and analysis for pharmacy and medical center leadership, pharmacy technology assessment, implementation, and maintenance. The resident will gain experience with Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS), Computerized Prescriber Order Entry (CPOE), Barcode Medication Administration (BCMA), medication storage and retrieval devices (Omnicell®), and medication dispensing robotics (ScriptPro®). Other responsibilities include conducting outcomes research and precepting pharmacy trainees (students and residents) with informatics related projects. Education will include formal informatics training and hands-on application of principles. Work activities will encompass the VASDHS, and experiential rotations on a regional/national level. Out-of-state and in-state travel may be required.

Learning Objectives
• Develop an understanding of the principles of the use of pharmacy informatics in an integrated healthcare system
• Develop an understanding of healthcare technology development, evaluation, implementation, and maintenance at local, regional, and national levels
• Develop skills in research design and data analysis to assess pharmaceutical-related economic, clinical, and humanistic health outcomes
• Develop skills in project management and strengthen communication skills for effective collaboration with the multidisciplinary team
• Develop an understanding of the role of pharmacy informatics in medication safety to assist in quality improvement

ROTATION STRUCTURE

Learning Experiences
• Elective: Medication Safety, PBM Clinical Pharmacy Practice Office

Special Features
• Local, regional, and national exposure and activities involving pharmacy data management and technology assessment

Facilities: The resident office is located at the VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS) in San Diego, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site.

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Program Overview:
• This PGY2 Oncology Pharmacy Residency training program is designed to develop clinical competency as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in the area of oncologic pharmacotherapy. Our clinically based program offers ongoing inpatient and outpatient longitudinal experiences devoted to the development of skills essential for the delivery of pharmaceutical care with a primary focus on oncology. To augment the VA experience, the resident may train off site in the areas of bone marrow transplant, gynecologic cancers, and pediatric oncology. In addition, the resident will be able to achieve optimal drug therapy outcomes and formulary management as active members of the health care team. The resident will be able to serve as a competent oncology rotation preceptor of 4th year pharmacy and PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residents in their Oncology Pharmacy Practice Experience elective rotations. Lastly, the resident will be able to exercise proficiency in communication and in educating other health care professionals, patients, and the community on drug related topics in oncology. Graduates of this 12-month training program should be able to provide a high level of direct patient care, ultimately leading to competence commensurate with Board Certification in Oncology Pharmacy Practice by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties and obtain employment as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Oncology.

Learning Objectives
• Develop an understanding of the general principles of oncology in an integrated healthcare system
• Develop an understanding of the principles of prevention and management of chemotherapy-related toxicities
• Develop skills in research design and methodologies to assess pharmaceutical-related economic, clinical, and humanistic health outcomes

ROTATION STRUCTURE

Core Learning Experiences
• Outpatient Oncology Clinics
• Infusion Center/Chemotherapy Preparation
• Inpatient Rounding
• Bone Marrow Transplant (at the University of California San Diego Medical Center)*
• Investigational Drugs and Clinical Trials

Elective Learning Experiences
• Oncology Rotation at Scripps Mercy Hospital in San Diego (emphasis in Gynecology Oncology and Breast Cancer)*
• Infection Disease
• Palliative Care
• Pharmacy Pain Management Clinic
• Teaching and Education including Conference Leader for UCSD Spring Therapeutics Course

*California license required

Facilities: The resident office is located at the VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS) in San Diego, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site.

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Program Overview:

• This program is designed to provide advanced training in clinical pharmacy practice focusing on patient care and education in pain management in a variety of settings and palliative care. The resident will become an integral part of our pharmacist-run outpatient Pain clinic and interdisciplinary groups such as the Opioid Safety Initiative committee and Palliative Care rounds. The resident will also have opportunities to precept pharmacy students from the University of California San Diego and the University of the Pacific. Following the completion of this program, residents will be prepared to assume the challenging but fulfilling role as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in pain and palliative care.

Special Features:

• Local, regional, and national exposure and activities involving a special population with Veterans.

Facilities:

• The resident office will be located at the VA Medical Center in La Jolla, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site.

Longitudinal Components

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PGY2 Infectious Diseases

Program Overview:
• This specialty residency program is designed to provide our residents with the skills necessary to become a competent and confident practitioner of pharmaceutical care in a variety of infectious diseases practice settings. After program completion, residents will possess the skills needed to work in ambulatory care, inpatient clinical positions, academia, and pharmaceutical industry.

Learning Objectives:
• Promote health improvement, wellness, and the prevention of infectious diseases
• Optimize patient outcomes by providing evidence-based, patient-centered medication therapy as an integral member of an interdisciplinary infectious diseases team
• Manage and improve the medication-use process in infectious diseases patient care
• Demonstrate excellence in the provision of educational activities on optimizing anti-infective pharmacotherapy for health care professionals and trainees
• Serve as an authoritative resource on the optimal use of medications used to treat individuals with an infectious disease
• Demonstrate leadership and practice management skills
• Conduct infectious diseases pharmacy practice research
• Demonstrate skills required for managing and improving anti-infective-use processes

Facilities:
• The resident office will be located at the VA Medical Center in La Jolla, California and most activities will be coordinated from this site. The resident will also have the option to rotate off-site to experience other infectious diseases practice settings

Required Rotations Activities
- Inpatient Infectious Disease Consult Precepting students and residents
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Research suitable for presentation at MAD-ID/ Southwest VA Conference Research meetings
- Microbiology Laboratory Grand Rounds Presentation
- Bioinformatics Journal Club
- Longitudinal HIV and Hep C Clinic Case Conferences

Elective Rotations: Our site offers heme/oncology and academic detailing rotations. Off-site rotations at University of California, San Diego are available in bone marrow transplant and HIV clinic.

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### WHERE DO RESIDENTS END UP POST-PGY2?

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| **Ambulatory Care** | Clinical Pharmacist in Ambulatory Care  
VA Long Beach Healthcare System (CA)  
Ambulatory Care Pharmacist  
Kaiser Permanente - San Diego (CA)  
Clinical Pharmacist - Ambulatory Care  
University Health System Riverside (CA)  
Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Ambulatory Care  
VA Palo Alto Health Care System  
Clinical Pharmacist in Ambulatory Care  
VA San Diego Healthcare System (CA)  
Clinical Pharmacist in Pain Management  
VA San Diego Healthcare System (CA)  
PACT Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner  
VA Puget Sound Healthcare System (WA) |
| **Critical Care** | Clinical Pharmacist  
VA San Diego Healthcare System (CA)  
Clinical Pharmacist  
Providence Little Company of Mary (CA)  
Clinical Pharmacist – ICU/AMS  
Kadlec Medical Center (WA)  
Clinical Pharmacist – ICU/ED  
LA County / USC Medical Center (CA)  
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Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital (CA)  
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                          340B Manager  
                          UC Davis Health Pharmacy  
                          Hospital in Home (HIH) Pharmacist Specialist  
                          VA San Diego Healthcare System (CA)  
                          Assistant Pharmacy Director,  
                          Long Term Care Facility (NY) |
| **Informatics**                      | Informatics Pharmacist  
                          San Diego VA Medical Center (CA)  
                          Informatics Pharmacist  
                          University of California Davis (CA)  
                          Pharmacy Informatics Program Manager  
                          Northern Arizona VA Healthcare System (AZ)  
                          Pharmacy Information Manager  
                          VA San Francisco Healthcare System (CA)  
                          Informatics Pharmacist  
                          San Francisco General Hospital (CA)  
                          Clinical Analytics Manager  
                          MedImpact Healthcare Systems (CA)  
                          Pharmacy Informatics  
                          YouScript (OR) |
| **Pain Management & Palliative Care** | Clinical Pharmacy Practitioner in Pain Management  
                          San Diego VA Medical Center (CA)  
                          Clinical Pharmacy Practitioner in Pain Management  
                          Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center (SC)  
                          Clinical Pharmacy Practitioner in Pain Management  
                          Washington VA Medical Center (DC)  
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Applicant Qualifications

- Participation in the ASHP Resident Matching Program
- United States citizenship with proof of naturalization if naturalized
- Possess a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an accredited School or College of Pharmacy
- Completion of or be in the process of completing an ASHP-accredited PGY1 residency
- Eligible for licensure to practice as a pharmacist at VA San Diego within 120 days from the beginning of the residency program
- Must be able to show documented proof for each requirement and must maintain eligibility for the duration of the VA appointment via the Am I Eligible? Checklist for Health Professional Trainees (HPTs) Training at VA Facilities: Am I Eligible? Checklist for VA HPTs

Application Process

- All application materials must be submitted through Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application (PhORCAS):
  - **PHASE I DEADLINE for ALL Programs** is January 2, 2024 at 11:59PM EST
  - **PHASE II DEADLINE for ALL Programs with available positions** is March 18, 2024 at 11:59PM EST
- Submitted Materials must include:
  - Basic Demographics
  - Verified Transcripts for Schools or Colleges of Pharmacy Only
  - Personal Statement / Letter of Intent
  - Curriculum Vitae
  - Three letters of recommendation using the standardized reference template in PhORCAS
  - Extracurricular Information
- Selected applicants will be invited to a personal virtual or on-site interview occurring in February. Candidates who are not invited for an interview will be notified via e-mail
- We hope you will join us at the VA San Diego Healthcare System for your residency year. We look forward to receiving your application!