

HOW TO APPLY

Application Requirements

To apply you must:

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a graduate of an ASHP- accredited PGY-1 Residency Program
- Be a licensed pharmacist in any state
- Adhere to the rules of the resident matching program process
- Be available for an on-site interview

Applicants must submit their application materials using PhORCAS, the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service. Mailed or emailed applications will NOT be accepted.



Applications must include:

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation
- Official transcript

Applications should be submitted by January 1st



If you have any questions about the program or application requirements, please contact:

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VA CONNECTICUT HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency



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PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency at VA Connecticut

VA CONNECTICUT (VACT) HEALTHCARE SYSTEM



The VA Connecticut (VACT) Healthcare System serves more than 50,000 veterans who reside in Connecticut and Southern New England. VACT provides primary, secondary, and tertiary care in medicine, geriatrics, neurology, psychiatry, surgery, and other specialty areas. As part of the VA New England Healthcare System, VACT is comprised of an inpatient facility in West Haven and two ambulatory care centers in West Haven and Newington, as well as six primary care Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) located in outlying areas of the state in Danbury, New London, Stamford, Waterbury, Willimantic, and Winsted. The West Haven Campus has a 150-bed hospital, providing acute medical, surgical, and psychiatric care. The Newington Campus is a center for ambulatory care and diagnostic procedures. The CBOC's provide Primary Care to veterans in outlying parts of the state. VACT conducts research in psychiatry, oncology, medicine, surgery, neurology, and related basic sciences.

Major affiliations include the Yale University School of Medicine, the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and School of Dentistry. VACT is also affiliated with the University of Connecticut (UConn), University of St. Joseph (USJ), Western New England University (WNEU), and the University of Rhode Island (URI) Schools of Pharmacy.

VACT currently has 6 PGY1 Pharmacy Residents, 1 PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Resident, and 1 PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Resident.



VACT PGY-2 GERIATRIC PHARMACY RESIDENCY OVERVIEW

The PGY-2 program builds on knowledge and skills acquired during PGY-1 training to prepare pharmacists capable of managing the complex care needs of older adults. The primary focus of the residency is to provide training on geriatric pharmacy management principles. In addition, the resident will also gain experience in managing important functional, behavioral and social determinants common in older adults.

General Information

- **Duration/Type:** 12 mo/residency
- **Number of Positions:** 1
- **Starting Date:** July 1
- **Estimated Stipend:** \$52,252
- **Interview Required:** Yes
- **Training Site Type:** VA Medical Center (inpatient and outpatient care)
- **Owner Affiliate:** Federal Government
- **Model Type(s):** Teaching
- **Patients Enrolled:** 50,000
- **Tax Status:** Nonprofit
- **Number of Medical Centers:** 1 hospital and 2 ambulatory care clinic sites, and 6 community-based clinics
- **Total Beds:** 150 (Average census: 120)

Benefits

The residency program begins July 1st of the current year and ends June 30th of the subsequent year. VACT Healthcare System will hire the resident as a 1-year term employee entitled to the following benefits:

- 4 hours of accrued annual leave (vacation) and sick leave per pay period (every two weeks)
- 10 paid holidays
- Health and Life Insurance (80% of premium paid by employer) - a full range of health plans are available

VACT PGY-2 GERIATRIC PHARMACY RESIDENCY STRUCTURE

VACT has a diverse and highly trained clinical pharmacy staff, including multiple Board Certified Geriatric Pharmacists (BCGP). Clinical Pharmacy Specialists (CPS) at VACT have a scope of practice that allows for prescriptive authority. VACT has a variety of geriatric opportunities that will allow for a well rounded experience for the PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy Resident which can be targeted to the residents specific interests.

Required Rotations

- Orientation
- Geriatrics Consult Service
- Community Living Center (CLC)
- Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Geropsychiatry
- Hospice & Palliative Care
- Professional Development
- Inpatient Staffing
- Research/Medication Use Evaluation

Numerous elective opportunities are also available, based on resident interest.

GERIATRIC PHARMACY AT VACT

Geriatric Consult Service: Focuses on the care of geriatrics patients in both an inpatient and outpatient setting for geriatrics-related concerns.

Community Living Center (CLC): The CLC is an inpatient unit that specializes in long term care, rehabilitation, respite and hospice/palliative care.

Home Based Primary Care (HBPC): HBPC provides comprehensive, interdisciplinary, primary care for homebound patients with complex medical, social, and behavioral conditions for whom routine clinic-based care is not feasible.

Geropsychiatry Clinic: Geropsychiatry provides psychiatric care to a broad range of older veterans.

Hospice & Palliative Care: Hospice and Palliative Care provides treatment that relieves suffering and helps to control symptoms in a way that respects personal, cultural, and religious beliefs and practices.