About The Tampa Bay Area

The Tampa Bay area consists of three cities, Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Clearwater, and its surroundings to make up a metropolitan area full of attractions to enjoy year round. The location offers residents a large variety of cuisines, arts and culture, unique shopping, and many festivals / events to experience. There are numerous beaches minutes away from the Bay Pines VA to choose from if you enjoy water sports or just need a place to relax. A variety of nightlife options are available from all three downtowns. If you are a sports fan, we house the Rays (MLB), the Buccaneers (NFL), and the Lightning (NHL) for you to cheer on! We also have the Busch Gardens amusement park in Tampa if you’re in for an adrenaline rush. And if that’s not enough, Orlando is always within reach for a weekend getaway. For more information visit:

http://www.stpete.org/
http://www.tampagov.net/

Requirements

• The applicant must possess a Doctor of Pharmacy Degree (Pharm.D.) from an ACPE accredited college.
• All residents will be required to successfully complete a state board examination. Licensure may be obtained through any U.S. State Board of Pharmacy.
• It is preferred that Board Examination is completed prior to starting the residency, however there is some flexibility. You must be licensed by September.
• U.S. citizenship is required.
• The applicant must be registered with the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists’ Match Program.
• An on-site interview is required for all applicants.

Application Requirements

• Application materials must be submitted by January 7, 2019.
• Complete online application through PhORCAS
• Transcripts
• Curriculum Vitae
• Personal/Letter of Intent
• Reference Letters (3)

Benefits

• Competitive stipend
• 4 hours annual leave and 4 hours sick leave per pay period (2 weeks)
• 10 paid holidays per year
• Health insurance; optional dental, vision, and life insurance
• Dedicated resident office space
• Educational leave for the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Florida Residency Conference

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency

Elective tracks available in Acute Care, Ambulatory Care and Pharmacy Operations

Give us a year, and we’ll give you a lifetime!

Visit our website for more information about the residency:
http://www.baypines.va.gov/clinemp/PharmacyCareer/

This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.
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Core Rotations
All core rotations vary from 10 to 20 weeks depending on the interest of each resident and the elective track chosen. Core rotations may include:
- Internal Medicine
- Critical Care
- Ambulatory Care
- Administration/Patient Safety/PBM
- Inpatient and Outpatient Operations
- Anticoagulation (longitudinal experience)
- Drug Information (longitudinal experience)

Elective Rotations
All residents will have the opportunity to choose two 5 week electives. They may also repeat any previous rotation as an elective. Elective rotations include, but are not limited to:
- Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC)
- Domiciliary
- Emergency Department
- Hematology/Oncology Clinic
- Hepatitis C Clinic
- Infectious Disease
- Inpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Mental Health Clinic
- Nursing Home (CLC)
- Outpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Surgery (Inpatient and Ambulatory Surgery)
- Women’s Clinic

Core Learning
In addition to rotations, residents will participate in several ongoing activities throughout the year which include:
- Assigned management projects or tasks
- Adverse drug event reporting
- Drug monographs
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Residency Overview
The PGY-1 residency program is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists. The residents will develop competency in the areas of acute patient care, ambulatory/primary care, drug information, practice management, and pharmacy operations. The focus of this residency is to develop residents into competent clinical practitioners who will contribute to positive patient outcomes. The residents will have responsibility and will be directly involved in providing patient oriented pharmaceutical services. The residents will develop knowledge and skills required to become a competent, clinical practitioner through training in various areas of pharmacy practices.

Current Residents
- Bionqua Lynch
- Samuel Solone
- Gregory Martin
- Quratulain (Anna) Zulfiqar
- Clara-Jessica Rances

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