Our pharmacy residency programs build on Pharm.D. education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions, eligible for board certification, PGY2 residencies or fellowship, and eventual clinical positions.

**Stipend/Benefits**
- 2021 PGY-1 stipend $41,742
- 2021 PGY-2 stipend $45,211
- In addition, this VA program supports a Dual appointment, which allows residents, once licensed as pharmacists, to get paid as pharmacists while completing some of the staffing requirements.
- Benefits include 13 vacation days, 10 paid federal holidays, sick leave, paid time to attend state/national meetings, and a health care benefit package.

**Application Process**
- Applications are submitted in PhORCAS: https://portal.phorcas.org
- PGY-1 Academic Requirements:
  - Anticipated graduate of accredited pharmacy school with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree
  - GPA ≥ 3.0
  - No grade of a D or less on core pharmacy classes
- U.S. citizenship is required
- PGY-2 candidates must have completed or currently completing a PGY-1 residency
- Applicants must be registered with the ASHP Matching Program
- Interview required
- Starting date: July 5, 2022
- Duration: 1 year

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**2021-2022 Residency Class:**

Left to right: Brittany Jackson (PGY-1), Victoria Desimine (PGY-2: Amb Care), SungSoo Kim (PGY-1), Kassie Notbohm (PGY-2: ID), Nardine-Mary (Nardine) Yassa (PGY-2: Amb Care), Melissa Sanchez (PGY-1)

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**PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency**

**PGY-2 Ambulatory Care**

**PGY-2 Infectious Diseases**

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**PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice**

**Residency Director:**
Natalie N. Verbosky, Pharm.D., BCPS

**Positions Available:** 4

**Core Areas of Practice:**
- Orientation/Distribution
- Internal Medicine
- Ambulatory Care

**Longitudinal Experiences:**
- Administration
- Presentations/Major Project
- Staffing

**Electives:**
- Administration
- Ambulatory Care II
- Cardiology/CCU
- Emergency Medicine
- Geriatrics/Long Term Care
- Home Based Primary Care
- Infectious Disease
- Inpatient Surgery
- Internal Medicine II
- Medical Intensive Care
- Oncology/Hematology
- Pain
- Psychiatry (Inpatient & Outpatient)
- Rehab/Polytrauma Medicine
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Surgery ICU/Nutrition

**PGY-2 Infectious Diseases**

**Residency Director:**
Jaela R. Fredenrich, Pharm.D., BCIDP

**Positions Available:** 1

**Core Areas of Practice:**
- Infectious Diseases Consult Service
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Program
- Outpatient Infectious Diseases Clinics

**Longitudinal Experiences:**
- Drug Policy Management
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Program Management
- QI/Research Projects
- Precepting & Teaching

**Electives:**
- HIV in Ambulatory Care
- Antimicrobial Stewardship – Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Focus
- Antimicrobial Stewardship – Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Focus
- National Pharmacy Benefits Management (PBM) in ID Program Management

**PGY-2 Ambulatory Care**

**Residency Director:**
Reina Carcifi, Pharm.D., BCPS

**Positions Available:** 2

**Core Areas of Practice:**
- Primary Care and Internal Medicine
- Community Based Outpatient Clinics
- Home Based Primary Care
- Anticoagulation Clinic
- Required Specialty Clinics
  - SCI (MS/ALS Clinic)
  - Anemia
  - Resistant hypertension
- Patient Education Classes
- Practice Management

**Longitudinal Experiences:**
- Practice Management
- Anticoagulation Clinic
- Presentations/Major Project
- Teaching/Education

**Electives:**
- Arrhythmia
- CHF Clinic
- Endocrinology/Diabetes
- Gastroenterology
- Mental Health Clinic
- Pain Management Programs
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Rheumatology
- Women’s Health
- Weight Management GMA
- Others may be available

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