BOISE VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER

Postgraduate Year 1 Pharmacy Residency

ashp Accredited

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans Health Administration

2020-2021 PGY1 RESIDENTS

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Our vision is to provide unique learning opportunities for residents to practice patient centered care and interprofessional collaboration with motivated and qualified preceptors who promote a culture of discovery. We aspire to develop innovation and leadership in the profession of pharmacy.

THE PROGRAM

The Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center offers a post-graduate year one (PGY1), ASHP-accredited residency program. Our training programs are designed to:

- Manage and improve the medication process
- Provide evidence-based, patient-centered collaborative medication therapy management
- Exercise leadership, practice and project management skills
- Provide expertise in medication utilization and practice related education/training
- Graduate pharmacists with the ability to practice in institutional, academic, or clinic settings, and move on to specialty residencies.

2020—2021 Residency Class

THE PROGRAM

Residents are requirements and opportunities:

- **Participate in Patient Aligned Care Teams (PACT)**
- **Conduct a Medication Utilization Evaluation to present at a local or regional conference**
- **Contribute to formulary decisions with the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee**
- **Practice patient-centered and collaborative management of patients and populations**
- **ACLS and BLS certification**
- **Leadership and Management Seminar**
- **Teaching Certificate Program: formal teaching and learning curriculum program through Idaho State University**

Heart failure assessment training
Boise VA Simulation Lab

CLINICAL TRAINING SITE

The clinical training site for this program is the Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center. This site is the primary location for a model teaching site where well-qualified pharmacists will contribute to the training of residents in many areas including ambulatory care, internal medicine, pharmaco-economics, psychiatry and geriatrics. The goals of each resident are customized to account for their strengths, weaknesses and personal interests to help ensure optimal training.

Mountain States Conference 2018
Salt Lake City, Utah

Residents will also be appointed to the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy as affiliate faculty. Residents have the opportunity to earn a Teaching Certificate through Idaho State University. The formal program consists of attending seminars, designing and delivering lectures, leading small group discussions, and completing a teaching portfolio. Residents also have opportunities to precept students on rotation at the Boise VA.

CURRICULUM

A minimum of 2,000 hours over a 12-month period is required for successful completion of the program. Any required rotation may be repeated as an elective with a focus on learning advanced skills and practice.

Required Rotations:

- Ambulatory Care
- Advanced Ambulatory Care
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Mental Health
- Adult Medicine
- Inpatient Pharmacy
- Discharge Staffing
- Geriatrics

Elective Rotations:

- Oncology
- Academia
- Telehealth
- Infectious DIseases
- Informatics
- Women's Health
- Management
- Pain

Boise VA Preceptors

QUALIFICATION OF THE APPLICANT

The applicant must be a graduate of a school of pharmacy accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, be a U.S. citizen, possess the Doctor of Pharmacy degree and be licensed to practice in one of the States, territories of the United States, or District of Columbia.

The applicant must demonstrate leadership abilities, professional competence, communication skills, scholastic achievement, dependability and the ability to work well with others. These qualities will be judged through personal interviews, interviews with peers, pharmacy school transcripts and letters of recommendation. Interested applicants must participate in the ASHP Resident Matching Program.

Materials to be submitted on PhORCAS by the 2nd Monday of January

- Letter of intent describing your professional goals
- A copy of transcripts of all pharmacy school work
- 3 letters of reference from healthcare professionals
- Curriculum vitae

ABOUT BOISE

Boise, the "City of Trees," is the capital and largest metropolitan area in Idaho. Approximately 600,000 people live in the Treasure Valley. The area's largest employers are Micron Technology, St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Hewlett-Packard, and JR Simplot Co.

The Capital City Public Market is the place to be seen most Saturday mornings. Boise is host to a variety of sporting events such as Boise State University athletics, Albertson's Boise Open Golf Tournament, The Boise Twilight Criterium, The Race to Robie Creek (the toughest half-marathon in the northwest), Idaho Steelheads Minor League Ice Hockey.

Boise, Idaho
Photo Courtesy of Paul Mecier

Goat Lake, Sawtooth Mountains

Photo Courtesy of Wyatt Gold (former resident)

There is an active arts community featuring the Idaho Shakespeare Festival at a beautiful outdoor amphitheater near the Boise River, the Boise Contemporary Theater, the Boise Philharmonic, the Boise Art Museum, Ballet Idaho, Opera Idaho, The Gene Harris Jazz Festival and Bogus Basin Ski resort.

The state of Idaho is known worldwide for its majestic mountain ranges towering over streams and rivers, forests, mountain lakes and outdoor recreational experiences. Boise is transected by the Boise River and a greenbelt walking/biking path throughout the city. There are also many miles of mountain biking/hiking trails within minutes of the hospital grounds.

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