About Hines:
Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital is classified as a 1a facility, located 12 miles west of downtown Chicago on a 147-acre campus, offers primary, extended and specialty care, and serves as a tertiary care referral center for VISN 12. Specialized clinical programs include Blind Rehabilitation, Spinal Cord Injury, Neurosurgery, Radiation Therapy and Cardiovascular Surgery. The hospital also serves as the VISN 12 southern tier hub for pathology, radiology, radiation therapy, human resource management and fiscal services.

Hines VA currently operates 483 beds and 6 CBOCs (community-based outpatient clinics) in Hoffman Estates, Kankakee, Oak Lawn, Aurora, LaSalle, and Joliet. More than 850,000 patient visits occurred in fiscal year 2017, providing care to more than 57,000 veterans, primarily from Cook, DuPage and Will counties.

Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital has active affiliations with the Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine and is also a rotation site for multiple colleges of pharmacy.

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ASHP PGY-2 Purpose:
PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.
About Hines VA HSPAL PGY-2 Program:
The purpose of this residency program is to provide the pharmacist with a broad range of experience in pharmacy management and leadership under the coordination of a proven pharmacy management team. The training will be hands-on, experiential learning with an emphasis on the adult learning model and development of self-assessment by the resident, with guidance and constructive, frequent feedback from the Residency Program Director and a qualified team of preceptors.

Our program builds upon PGY-1 residency graduates’ competence in the delivery of patient-centered care and in pharmacy operational services to prepare residents who can assume high-level managerial, supervisory, and leadership responsibilities.

Required Learning Experiences:
The resident must successfully complete all the required learning experiences:
- Orientation
- Operations Management: Inpatient and Outpatient Pharmacy
- Practical Pharmacy Management: Inpatient and Outpatient Supervisory Training
- Formulary Management and Pharmacoeconomics
- Clinical Management: Acute Care and Ambulatory Care
- Contracting and Procurement

Required Learning Experiences (continued):
- Pharmacy Informatics
- USP Management and Sterile Compounding
- Medication Safety (Longitudinal)
- Personnel Management (Longitudinal)
- Direct Patient Care (half-day in clinic each week)
- Research: Complete agreed-upon research project(s), conference presentation(s), and written report in a format suitable for publication
- Prepare one newsletter article
- Prepare one drug class review, monograph, treatment guideline, protocol, or policy
- Prepare one Medication Usage Evaluation to present at P&T meeting
- Prepare and present one monthly override, trigger drug, and adverse drug event (ADE) report and the annual ADE, medication error/root cause analysis, and override report
- Prepare and present one journal club
- Prepare at least one P&T meeting agenda and meeting minutes
- One ACPE-accredited seminar

Additional Learning Experiences:
- Opportunity to take part in a teaching certificate program if one has not been completed in the PGY-1 residency year
- Experience serving as a co-preceptor for students of various colleges of pharmacy is available, dependent on primary preceptors’ schedule.

Program Details:
- ASHP accreditation status: Candidate
- Duration: 12 months
- Number of positions: 1
- Application Deadline: 01/09/2023
- Starting Date: 07/01/2023
- End Date: 06/30/2024
- Estimated stipend: $50,150
- Benefits include: 13 sick days, 13 vacation days, 11 holidays
- ASHP Code: 41913

Application Requirements:
- U.S. citizenship
- PharmD degree from ACPE-accredited college of pharmacy
- Pharmacist licensure in any U.S. state
- Completion of an accredited PGY1 pharmacy residency program
- Official college of pharmacy academic transcripts
- Curriculum vitae
- Letter of intent
- Three letters of recommendation