Required Learning Experiences

**Acute Care (Leavenworth)**
Residents are responsible for rounding as part of an interdisciplinary medical team. Responsibilities include medication reconciliation, discharge counseling, anticoagulation management, and therapeutic drug monitoring. Areas of focus are internal medicine and infectious disease.

**Ambulatory Care**
Residents manage patients seen by pharmacy anticoagulation and primary care clinics. Clinical Pharmacy Specialists in these ambulatory care settings manage patients with chronic medical conditions as advanced practice providers with prescriptive authority under a scope-of-practice.

**Drug Information & Teaching (Longitudinal)**
Residents are responsible for providing responses to requests for drug information from medical staff as well as developing skills in critically evaluating health related literature through projects such as journal clubs and CE presentations. Teaching opportunities are provided on-site with APPE students and with KU School of Pharmacy.

**Geriatrics/Long-term Care**
Residents learn therapeutics in geriatric patients in the Community Living Center (a nursing home setting) and for patients in the Home Based Primary Care program. Responsibilities include medication management, drug information, coordination of care, interdisciplinary team meetings, and medication therapy reviews.

**Psychiatry**
Residents work collaboratively with an interdisciplinary team to provide care to patients with behavioral health disorders gaining clinical experience in psychiatric pharmacotherapy through working with a clinical pharmacy specialist with prescriptive authority under a scope-of-practice.

**Administration & Leadership**
Residents develop both leadership and management skills to support the use of cost-effective medication therapy and improvement of clinical services through completion of pharmacoeconomic/practice management projects.

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Overview
The pharmacy residency program at the VA Eastern Kansas Health Care System (VAEKHCS) is an ASHP accredited training program. It is located at the Colmery-O’Neil VA Medical Center in Topeka, KS and the Dwight D. Eisenhower VA Medical Center in Leavenworth, KS.

Graduates of the program are well prepared to pursue positions in clinical practice, academia, or PGY-2 residency programs.

We offer a progressive training atmosphere where credentialed pharmacists may prescribe medications, order laboratory/diagnostic tests and place consults to other services as advanced practice providers with a scope of practice. Residents learn to provide proactive, patient-centered care in multiple different clinical settings.

While offering a well-rounded PGY-1 experience, VA Eastern Kansas specifically offers very strong experiences in ambulatory care and psychiatry in preparation for PGY2 and advanced clinical roles.

Join us to serve those who have served!

Learning Experiences

REQUIRED
- Acute Care
- Ambulatory Care
- Drug Information & Teaching
- Geriatrics/Long-term Care
- Psychiatry
- Administration & Leadership
- Pharmacy Operations
- Research Project

ELECTIVES
- Infectious Disease and Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Substance Use Disorder Psychiatry
- Pain Management
- Rural Health / Population Health Management

Application Requirements
- Standard requirements in PhORCAS system
- U.S. Citizenship required
- Graduate or anticipated graduation from an ACPE Accredited College of Pharmacy

Benefits
- Competitive stipend
- Health and life insurance
- 13 days of both sick and vacation leave
- Paid federal holidays
- Support for professional meetings
- Paid weekend staffing

Application Deadline
December 31st, 2020

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