The Lexington Veterans Affairs Health Care System is a fully accredited, two-division, tertiary care medical center with an operating complement of 199 hospital beds. Acute medical, neurological, surgical and inpatient psychiatric services are provided at the Troy Bowling campus, located adjacent to the University of Kentucky Medical Center. Other available services include: emergency care, medical-surgical units, ICU, progressive care unit, cardiac cath lab, ambulatory surgery, OR/PACU, hemodialysis, medicine specialty clinics, surgery specialty clinics, and outpatient specialty care.

The Franklin Sousley campus, located five miles from the Troy Bowling Campus, offers outpatient mental health services as well as residential post-traumatic stress disorder and substance use disorder treatment. Community Living, respite services and hospice care are also located at this location. Primary care clinics as well as several ambulatory specialty clinics; optometry, dentistry, podiatry, and women’s health are housed at the Sousley Campus.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Application Deadline: January 3, 2021
- Onsite Interview Required
- United States citizen
- Graduate of an accredited college of pharmacy
- Active pharmacist license or be eligible for licensure in any U.S. state
  - Off-site non-VA rotations require Kentucky licensure
- Submit application via PhORCAS (NMS# 52300)
  - Curriculum vitae
  - Official college transcripts
  - Class Ranking Letter from pharmacy school
  - Letter of intent
  - 3 letters of recommendation

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The PGY1 pharmacy practice residency program is a one-year, full-time residency program accredited by ASHP. The PGY1 builds on Doctor of Pharmacy (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, and eligible for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training.

Clinical, operational, and educational aspects of pharmacy practice are emphasized during this training experience. Residents will complete rotations in ambulatory care, internal medicine, geriatrics, primary care, and anticoagulation. Longitudinal experiences are integrated into the program, including pharmacist coordinated clinics, (e.g., mental health, hepatitis C and pharmacotherapy clinics), formulary management and administration. Other opportunities may be available based on resident interest. Residents will complete and present a primary research project. They will also participate in the UK College of Pharmacy teaching certificate program, which incorporates didactic lecturing, small group/lab facilitation and precepting Doctor of Pharmacy students on clerkship rotations.

CORE LEARNING EXPERIENCES
- Orientation
- Primary Care
- Acute Care/Internal Medicine
- Geriatrics
- Mental Health
  - Resident choice from options below
- Anticoagulation
- Formulary Management
- Longitudinal
  - Administration
  - Staffing

ELECTIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES
- Critical Care
- Hematology/Oncology
- Pain Management
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Cardiology/Heart Failure
- GeriPACT
- Administration
- Mental Health
  - Inpatient
  - Outpatient
  - Residential treatment
  - Substance Use Disorder
  - Academic Detailing
- Other VA Specialty Clinics
- Off-site electives through UKHC/UKCOP

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Required to complete a major project and submit a manuscript for publication in a peer reviewed journal. A research advisory committee will assist the resident in project selection, research design and completion.
- Teaching certificate through the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy
- Didactic lecturing at the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy (UKCOP)
- Precepting UKCOP pharmacy students
- Medication Use Evaluation

BENEFITS
Estimated PGY1 stipend: $41,641
Optional Health Insurance
Paid Leave Days:
- Accrued 13 vacation and 13 sick or family care days of leave. Unused leave may be transferable to future federal positions.
- 10 federal holidays
Educational Leave