APPLICATION PROCESS
Applications will be accepted through PhORACS™ (Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service) ONLY. Application must include: Letter of intent specific to the VAMHCS, three letters of recommendation, curriculum vitae, and pharmacy school transcripts.

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This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.

The VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) is a multi-facility network of medical centers and clinics with a total of 727 operating beds and seven outpatient clinics serving over 55,000 patients throughout the state of Maryland. The Medical Center in Baltimore serves as the main campus and includes acute care, surgical services, psychiatry, oncology, ambulatory care, long-term care and extensive teaching and research. The Pharmacy department includes close to 100 pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, and provides 24/7 services in Baltimore.

Our healthcare system serves the healthcare needs of America’s veterans in Maryland by providing primary care, specialized care, and related medical and social support sources.
A VA RESIDENCY
The VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) is seeking TWO highly motivated Postgraduate Year 1 (PGY1) Residency Program candidates. This 12-month ASHP-accredited program is designed to build 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. This residency places emphasis on clinical and distributive pharmacy services, using a comprehensive, hands-on, clinically focused approach. Through flexibility and opportunity, this program fosters a unique residency experience, serving a challenging and rewarding veteran population.

FLEXIBILITY
The VAMHCS PGY1 program offers learning experiences in diverse practice areas including Acute Care, Ambulatory Care, and Long-term Care. Core rotations for this program include: Internal Medicine, Critical Care, Cardiology, Psychiatry, Practice Management, Hospital Pharmacy, Long-term care/Geriatrics and Ambulatory Care. A variety of elective rotations are available within the VA Maryland Health Care System as well as through affiliated institutions. The VAMHCS is a multi-campus health system. Rotations will be held a multiple sites in the Baltimore-metro area.

OPPORTUNITY
Teaching
The Postgraduate Year 1 Residency Program in collaboration with the University Of Maryland School Of Pharmacy offers numerous teaching experiences. Teaching opportunities include lecturing, leading small group discussions, conducting practice lab sessions and precepting Doctor of Pharmacy students. In addition, there is an optional Teaching Certificate Program offered by the School of Pharmacy.

Presentations
• Journal Club, Case Presentations, In-service(s)
• Formal Pharmacotherapy Presentation (CE) in conjunction with other participating Baltimore residency programs
• Required Research Project with presentation of results at the Eastern States Residency Conference (with manuscript of publishable quality)

UNIQUE
Evaluation
Following the ASHP Accreditation Standard for Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency, this program includes the required ASHP Competency Areas, Goals, and Objectives. A Residency Development Plan (RDP) for each resident will be formulated upon entry into the program. Updates and changes will be addressed quarterly by the Residency Program Director. Resident performance on each learning experience will be documented electronically in PharmAcademic™.

Benefits
• $44,921 yearly stipend with benefits
• Additional compensation for required monthly staffing
• 10 paid federal holidays
• 13 accrued vacation and 13 sick days

Qualifications
• Graduate of an ACPE-accredited college of pharmacy
• Doctor of Pharmacy degree
• U.S. citizenship
• Licensure in any US state by October 1st