PROGRAM OVERVIEW
Since 1953, the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System (VAAAHS) has provided high quality, cost-effective, tertiary care to Veterans residing in southeastern Michigan and northwestern Ohio. The main campus located in Ann Arbor serves as a teaching hospital and referral center for specialty care, operating 102 acute care beds and 40 Community Living Center (extended care) beds. In fiscal year 2016, the VAAAHS completed more than 850,000 patient encounters. The VAAAHS is designated as a 1A facility by the Department of Veterans Affairs, meaning it has the highest level of complexity of care.

The purpose of the VAAAHS PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program is to build on the Doctor of Pharmacy 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 (PGY-2) pharmacy residency training.

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP)-accredited PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program at VAAAHS provides residents with an exceptional opportunity to progressively develop their clinical skills and become pharmacy practice leaders. The program provides a balanced set of inpatient and outpatient learning experiences with additional opportunities in education, research, and administration. The VAAAHS offers flexibility to accommodate personal and professional goals when creating the curriculum for each resident. In addition to pharmacy practice training, pharmacy residents receive a clinical instructor appointment with the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy and have the option to participate in a teaching certificate program.

APPLICATION MATERIALS
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Official pharmacy school transcript
- Submit materials via PHORCAS and participate in the ASHP Match

REQUIREMENTS
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy
- U.S. citizenship
- Pharmacy licensure in the U.S. or District of Columbia within 45 days from the start of the residency program

Number of positions: 4
Application deadline: January 1, 2018
Residency start date: July 1, 2018
Current stipend: $44,784
CORE ROTATIONS
- Hospital Orientation: July
- Primary Care – Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT): 1 month
- Acute Care: Minimum 2 rotations (1 month each)
- Drug Information/Medication Safety: 1 month
- Anticoagulation: 1 month
- Project Month: December

AVAILABLE ROTATIONS
- Cardiology
- Emergency Medicine
- Endocrinology
- Geriatrics
- Hematology/Oncology and Palliative Care
- Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Infectious Disease
- Informatics
- Intensive Primary Care
- Internal Medicine
- Medical Intensive Care Unit (MICU)
- Nephrology
- Pain Management
- Psychiatry (Inpatient & Outpatient)
- Rheumatology
- Surgical Intensive Care Unit (SICU)

LONGITUDINAL EXPERIENCES
- Administration
- Teaching & Education
- Major Project (presented at the Great Lakes Pharmacy Residency Conference)
- Distributive Training (inpatient and outpatient, one weekend per month)

BENEFITS
- Health, dental, vision, and life insurance
- 10 paid federal holidays
- 13 accrued vacation/annual leave days
- 13 accrued sick days
- Professional leave to attend meetings and educational conferences
- Clinical instructor appointment with the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

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