**About Veterans Health Administration**
The VA’s health care system includes 155 medical centers in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. Additionally, more than 800 ambulatory care sites and community-based outpatient clinics are operated by the VA. These health care facilities provide a multitude of services, ranging from medical and surgical to rehabilitative care. The VA health care system has consistently received high scores in providing quality care to its patients.

**About the Battle Creek VA**
The Battle Creek VA provides a variety of services to Veterans. Annually, more than 200,000 visits are made to ambulatory clinics that include primary care, mental health, infectious disease, endocrinology, urology, and neurology. Additionally, the facility has 300+ inpatient beds, providing care for internal medicine, mental health, and long term care patients.

The Postgraduate Year-1 (PGY1) Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Battle Creek VA Medical Center (VAMC) is an ASHP-accredited program established in 2010. While the residency program requires core pharmacy practice components, it also allows for flexibility in order for the resident to customize the program toward his/her interests. The resident will be working with pharmacists within the outpatient and inpatient pharmacies as well as in clinics and within the hospital. Two residency positions are available.

**Battle Creek VA Medical Center (VAMC)**
PGY-1 Residency

Battle Creek VA Medical Center
5500 Armstrong Road
Battle Creek, MI 49037
(269) 966-5600 ext. 35206
www.battlecreek.va.gov
Program Description
Residents completing a residency at the Battle Creek VAMC will be prepared to become clinical pharmacists that provide exemplary patient care in interdisciplinary teams, capable of leading the profession and working within the framework of a health care system.

Residency Structure
The 12-month PGY1 Pharmacy Practice residency consists of activities located primarily at the Battle Creek VAMC.

Required Experiences:
- Anticoagulation
- Education and Drug information
- Home-based primary care
- Inpatient pharmacy
- Interprofessional series
- Outpatient pharmacy
- Pharmacy management
- Pharmacy policy
- Pharmacy research project
- Primary care
- Residential Rehabilitation Programs (select one)
  - PTSD
  - Psychosocial Rehabilitation
  - Substance Abuse
- TeleHealth Pharmacy

Elective Experiences:
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Erythropoietin Stimulating Agents
- Hepatology
- Outpatient Mental Health Clinic
- Pain Management

Teaching Experiences
- Precept P4 students
- Continuing education for staff
- Teaching certificate through Ferris State University (optional)

Purpose Statement
The Battle Creek VA Medical Center PGY1 pharmacy residency program will 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.

Timeline
This residency is one year in length starting approximately July 1 and ending approximately June 30 the following year. The Battle Creek VA uses PhORCAS for submission of application materials, due on Jan 1:
- Curriculum Vitae
- College Transcripts
- Cover Letter
- Three letters of recommendation from professional sources, either faculty or employers

The Battle Creek VA Medical Center participates in the National Match Program.

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

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Fringe Benefits
1. Preceptors with scope of practice
2. Stipend of ~$41,000 (determined nationally each year)
3. Paid leave (13 days paid vacation & 13 days paid sick time)
4. 10 paid federal holidays
5. Minimum required on-site hours: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Mondays through Fridays
6. Health and life insurance
7. Nationwide networking

Residency Requirements
Applicants must be US citizens and graduates of a college of pharmacy accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education or be otherwise eligible for pharmacy licensure. There is no requirement in regards to the type of degree held by the applicant, and the residency program director will assess baseline knowledge, skills and abilities to ascertain qualification for admission.

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