QUALIFICATIONS

- Graduate of accredited school of pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy or other advanced degree
- Licensure or eligibility for licensure in any state in the United States
- Candidates for the residency position must be United States citizens

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Due date: January 5
- Three letters of reference
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Pharmacy school transcripts
- Participation in the Match is required
- Submit application materials via PhORCAS http://www.ashp.org/phorcas

TIMELINE

- Applications due: January 5
- Interview notifications: late January
- Interviews: February
- Match rankings:
  - Phase 1, March 3; Phase 2, April 5
- Match results:
  - Phase 1, March 17; Phase 2, April 12
- Start date: July 1
- NMS Code: 217921

SALARY AND BENEFITS

- Stipend $41,166
- 13 days of paid accrued annual leave per year
- 13 days of paid accrued sick leave per year
- 10 paid holidays
- Paid administrative leave provided to attend approved educational meetings such as ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Southeastern or Florida Residency Conference
- Individual office space
- Health care benefit package with optional dental and vision plans

GULF COAST VETERANS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

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GULF COAST VETERANS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM
MENTAL HEALTH FOCUS
PGY-1 PHARMACY PRACTICE RESIDENCY
ABOUT THE GULF COAST VETERANS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System consists of a Veterans Health Administration facility in Biloxi, Miss., with outpatient clinics in Mobile, Ala., and Eglin, Pensacola and Panama City, Fla. The health care system serves the seven counties along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, the four counties along the Alabama Gulf Coast and the seven counties along the Florida Panhandle.

Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System is a tertiary care facility. It is a teaching hospital, providing a full range of patient care services with state-of-the-art technology, education and research.

Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System is privileged to serve over 50,000 Veterans. Comprehensive health care is provided through primary care, medicine, surgery, psychiatry, psychology, neurology, oncology, dentistry, geriatrics, extended care, physical rehabilitation and blind rehabilitation.

Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System also provides support to readjustment counseling centers and VA National Cemeteries along the Gulf Coast.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System PGY1 residency program is to prepare pharmacist clinicians to be competent and confident practitioners in a wide variety of patient care environments. They will demonstrate competence by appropriately using their clinical knowledge and skills to enhance drug therapy outcomes and improve medication safety as a key member of the health care team in any setting. They will develop confidence through the feedback and independence offered to them through each of their experiences. Additionally, they will refine their skills by educating other health care professionals, patients and students on drug-related topics.

PGY-1 MENTAL HEALTH FOCUS

The residency program is a PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice residency. It is a 12-month expanded mental health training program which fosters a coordinated blend of research and informed application in an interprofessional environment.

Mental health required learning experiences include:
- Acute Inpatient Psychiatry
- Substance Abuse
- Outpatient Mental Health
- Psychosocial Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (PRRTP)
- Mental Health Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (MHRRTP)

Additional required learning experiences include:
- Adult/Internal Medicine
- Home Based Primary Care
- Geriatrics/Community Living Center
- Anticoagulation
- Pharmacy/Administration/Research

There is ample opportunity to be involved in patient care, education, management and research. Residents are required to complete a research project, present it at a professional meeting and submit a manuscript suitable for publication by the end of the residency.

Residents also have the opportunity to participate in the Teaching Certificate Program offered through Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy at the Mobile campus.