Located in central North Carolina, Salisbury VAMC is a tertiary care facility affiliated with multiple Schools of Pharmacy including the University of North Carolina, Campbell University, Wingate University, University of Florida, University of South Carolina, and several others. Salisbury VAMC is also affiliated with Wake Forest University School of Medicine and the Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine. It serves as a training site for students and residents in multiple disciplines: nursing, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, psychiatry, rehabilitation, social work, and medicine.

The medical center provides medical, surgical, psychiatric, oncology, hematology, and ambulatory care services to over 92,000 Veterans in the central Piedmont service area. It boasts newly opened large full-service Health Care Centers (HCCs) in Kernersville and in Charlotte, and a Community Based Outpatient Clinic in Charlotte.

Salisbury VAMC has clinical pharmacy specialists with prescribing privileges in primary care, long-term care, pain management, home-based primary care, mental health, infectious disease, and acute care. The medical center also provides an in-house Community Leaving Center and hospice care for Veterans.

**Purpose Statement**

PGY1 pharmacy residency programs 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.

**Benefits**

- Stipends per annual VA standards
- Health and life insurance available
- Paid federal holidays (10)
- Paid vacation and sick leave (4 hours of each, accrued every 2-week pay period)
- Administrative leave, travel and tuition support (as available)

**Location**

Salisbury is conveniently located near several major North Carolina cities, including Charlotte, Winston-Salem, and Greensboro. Salisbury is within driving distance of the mountains (3 hours) and beaches (4 hours). It has a rich history and plays host to many cultural events year-round.

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**Residency Learning Experiences**

**Required/Core Experiences**

- Primary care clinics with extensive exposure to pharmacotherapy (including diabetes, hypertension, anti-coagulation, and dyslipidemia)
- Rotations in acute care, psychiatry, geriatrics/long term care, home-based primary care and inpatient

**Longitudinal Experiences**

- Scholarly activities including:
  - Co-precepting student pharmacists
  - Educational community outreach
  - Continuing education programs
  - Journal club/case presentations
  - Guest lecturing at area universities
  - ASHP Teaching Certificate Program (optional)

- Practice Management including:
  - Participation in P&T Committee
  - Medication Use Evaluations
  - Adverse Drug Event Reporting
  - Assist in policy revisions, other

- Drug information
- Staffing
- Research/QI project

**Electives**

- Administration
- Underserved Community Clinics
- Infectious Disease
- Informatics
- Pain Management
- Extension of required/core experiences
Qualifications:
- Doctor of Pharmacy or equivalent
- Licensure/eligibility in the U.S. (any state)
- U.S. citizen

Application Process (PhORCAS submission):
- Deadline: January 4th
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Academic transcript
- Three references completed through the PhORCAS standardized reference form (formal letter not required)
- On-site interviews are required for selected candidates after review of application materials. Candidates will be notified of a decision to interview no later than February 12th.

Number of Positions:
5 PGY1
Match #: 253413
1 PGY2 in Psychiatric Medicine (see PGY2 brochure for additional information)
Match #: 704466

The WG (Bill) Hefner VAMC Residency Programs participate in the ASHP Pharmacy Resident Matching Program. This residency site agrees that no person at the site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.

Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a physical exam, including a negative drug test. Residents must meet requirements for federal employment. Residents are required to obtain pharmacist's license in any state within 90 days of the start date of the program.