



VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System

PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program



Overview

The VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System (VASNHS) provides a broad spectrum of ambulatory and inpatient services to over 45,000 Veterans annually. There is a total of 25 facilities that make up the VASNHS with the majority being located in metropolitan Las Vegas and North Las Vegas, Nevada. In August 2012, the long-awaited Las Vegas VA Medical Center opened its doors to serve Veterans in the area. The medical center is a 90-bed inpatient facility with a 120-bed Extended and Skilled Care Community Living Center with state of the art medical and diagnostic services.

The PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program is an ASHP accredited program that offers in-depth experiences in clinical services. Our program is designed to provide you with a variety of learning environments, teaching opportunities, and projects – all to help develop your clinical knowledge, skills, confidence, and independence. One of our primary goals is to provide residents with professional growth that optimizes their marketability for future employment in either ambulatory care or inpatient settings, PGY2 opportunities, and other pharmacy career endeavors.

CORE VALUE

Because I CARE, I will...

Integrity

Act with high moral principle

Commitment

Work diligently to serve Veterans and other beneficiaries

Advocacy

Be Veteran-centric by identifying, fully considering, and appropriately advancing Veterans and other beneficiaries

Respect

Treat all those who I serve and with whom I work with dignity and respect

Excellence

Strive for the highest quality of continuous improvement

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Required Learning Experiences - 4-6 weeks in duration

- Ambulatory Primary Care Clinic/Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT)
- Anticoagulation
- Home Based Primary Care
- Infectious Disease
- Inpatient/General Medicine
- Management Administration
- Outpatient Mental Health or Pain Management (Resident to choose one)

Elective Learning Experiences (resident completes three) - 4 weeks in duration*

- Academic Detailing
- Anticoagulation Population Management
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Inpatient Mental Health
- Oncology
- Outpatient Mental Health
- Outpatient Pain Management
- PACT Precepting/Population Management *(8 weeks in length)
- PACT Population Management
- Pharmacoeconomics
- USP (compounding/hazardous drugs)

Others may be determined on a case-by-case basis based on resident interests and preceptor availability

Required Extended Learning Experiences: Research Project - 52 weeks in duration

Extended Learning Experience: Chief Resident - 4 months in duration

ADDITIONAL RESIDENCY HIGHLIGHTS

Other Residency Activities and Responsibilities

- Outpatient and Inpatient Staffing – two weekend days once a month
- Teaching Certificate at Roseman University of Health Sciences (optional)
- Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) Continuing Education
- Drug Monograph/Criteria for Use
- Medication Use Evaluations (MUE)
- Poster presentation at ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting
- Platform research presentation at Southern California VA Pharmacy Residency Conference
- Residency presentations: patient cases, journal clubs, guideline reviews, in-services, etc.
- Actively participate in Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee

Benefits

- Estimated stipend: \$42,000
- Thirteen (13) days of annual leave accrued at the rate of 4 hours every two weeks
- Thirteen (13) days of sick leave accrued at the rate of 4 hours every two weeks
- Option for health, dental, and life insurance
- Travel funds to ASHP Midyear and Southern California VA Pharmacy Residency Conference
- Free parking
- At home access to email, Electronic Medical Record (EMR), and more

Licensing Information

Pharmacy residents are required to obtain a pharmacist license in one of the states of the United States. Pharmacy residents must schedule the North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination (NAPLEX) and Multistate Pharmacist Jurisprudence Examination (MPJE) prior to entering the residency program or by **July 30th**, at the latest. Pharmacy residents must be licensed in any state by **October 31st**.

ASHP Resident Matching Program: VASNH Match ID #**155213**

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicant Qualifications

- PharmD degree from ACPE accredited College of Pharmacy
- Proof of U.S. Citizenship or proof of naturalization
- Participation in the ASHP Residency Matching Program
- Video Conference Interview (usually in mid-late February) - *invitation only*

Applicant Requirements

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Letter of intent indicating career goals and objectives for seeking residency
- Three (3) recommendation letters (at least one from an APPE preceptor)
- If you are a practicing pharmacist, at least one letter must be from your employer (e.g. supervisor)
- Official transcripts from school of pharmacy and other advance degree colleges

*****Application Deadline: December 23, 2020 at 8:59 PM (PT)*****

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If you would like to contact the RPD for further information, please use the email found on the ASHP directory: <https://accreditation.ashp.org/directory/#/program/residency/programInfo/85101>

For more information about our residency program or application related updates, please visit:
http://www.lasvegas.va.gov/pharmacy/Pharmacy_Residency_Program.asp