ABOUT THE ALBANY STRATTON VA MEDICAL CENTER

“This nation will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave.” -Elmer Davis

The Samuel S. Stratton VAMC is a 150 bed tertiary care facility located in the heart of New York’s capitol. Along with 11 community based outpatient clinics, this institution works to provide comprehensive healthcare to more than 25,000 Veterans each year. The VA medical center provides a full range of outpatient and inpatient services, including services for those residing in our community living center (CLC). The Stratton VAMC is dedicated to teaching and educating future healthcare professionals, and maintains affiliations with Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (ACPHS) and Albany Medical College. This allows for a variety of didactic teaching and precepting opportunities that can be tailored to the resident’s clinical interests.

GOAL

The goal of the PGY-1 pharmacy residency at the Stratton VAMC is to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue rational drug therapy and provide pharmaceutical care in a multi-disciplinary healthcare setting. The residency program offers resident exposure into multiple settings, but largely focuses on providing ambulatory care services.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the PGY-1 pharmacy residency at the Samuel S. Stratton VA Medical Center, please contact:

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PHARMACY RESIDENCY OVERVIEW

- **Duration:** 12 months
- **Starting Date:** Approximately July 1
- **Number of Positions:** 3
- **Estimated Stipend:** $42,113
- **Interview Required:** Yes
- **Type of Institution:** VA Medical Center (inpatient and outpatient hospital)
- **Site type:** Teaching
- **Patients Enrolled:** 25,000
- **Total Beds:** 150
- **Benefits:** 13 days accrued annual leave, 13 days accrued sick leave, paid federal holidays, health and life insurance

ABOUT ALBANY, NY

Albany, NY is situated on the banks of the Hudson River in the heart of New York’s Capital District. It is conveniently located near many of the Northeast’s largest cities (Boston, New York, Montreal). It offers the unique opportunity to experience both the hustle and bustle of city life as well as the breathtaking views of the Adirondacks, which are just a short drive away. For a complete list of Albany history, local attractions, news and events, visit [www.albanyny.org](http://www.albanyny.org).

HOW TO APPLY

To apply you must:

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a graduate of an ACPE-accredited Doctor of Pharmacy degree program
- Be licensed or eligible for licensure in any state
- Adhere to the rules of the resident matching program process
- Be available for an on-site interview
- Applicants must submit their application materials using PhORCAS

Applications must be submitted by: January 7

Applications must include:

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Official college transcript
- Three letters of recommendation (at least one from APPE preceptor and one from current/previous employer) AND completed recommenders form from each reference
- VA Form #10-2850c and #OF-306 available at [www.va.gov/vaforms](http://www.va.gov/vaforms)
- Supplemental questionnaire which can be accessed from PhORCAS residency listing

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Rotations are available in many areas including:

- Primary care
- Pain Management
- Transitional care
- Anticoagulation
- Psychiatry
- Inpatient pharmacy
- Transitional care
- Home based primary care
- Outpatient pharmacy
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Antibiotic monitoring
- Nephrology

The resident will be required to compete a formal research project during the course of the year. In addition, the resident will have the opportunity to participate in the Teaching and Learning Program (TLP) at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.