The Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) residency is a 12-month program designed to develop the resident’s skills and competency in providing patient-centered care as part of an interdisciplinary team with a focus on primary care, mental health, and geriatrics. The program builds on Doctor of Pharmacy education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions. By the end of your residency you will be eligible for board certification and postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training.

The VA Finger Lakes PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program is carried out at both the Bath and Canandaigua campuses based on the rotation, in addition to opportunities at the Rochester Outpatient Clinic.

Residency Program Learning Experiences:

**Required Core Rotations (4-6 week blocks based on the rotation):**
- Orientation and Pharmacy Administration/Leadership
- Inpatient and Outpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Home Based Primary Care
- Primary Care
- Geriatrics/Community Living Center
- Mental Health
- Medication Management and Safety

**Required Longitudinal Rotations:**
- Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance Project
- Home Based Primary Care (panel management)
- Anticoagulation
- Staffing

**Elective Opportunities:**
3 electives, 4 weeks each (may extend to 6 weeks if desired)
- Academic Detailing
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Primary Care
- Community Living Center
- Pain Management
- Substance Use Disorder
Application Process:

Qualification Requirements:
United States Citizen ★ Graduate of an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy ★ Ability to obtain pharmacist licensure within 90 days of the start of the residency ★ Registered in the ASHP Resident Matching Program

Apply through PhORCAS:
Letter of intent ★ Curriculum vitae ★ Academic transcripts ★ Three letters of recommendation using the PhORCAS Standardized Reference Form ★ At least one letter should come from a preceptor with whom the applicant had a clinical rotation

An interview is required.

Application deadline: 1st Monday in January

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VA Finger Lakes Healthcare System is comprised of the Bath and Canandaigua VA Medical Centers, and the Rochester VA Clinic, along with several community-based clinics and rural health clinics. VA Finger Lakes provides primary care, long-term care, and mental health care services to over 30,000 Veterans in New York and Pennsylvania. In addition to providing outpatient care, Bath also has a 200-bed Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program, an 80-bed Community Living Center (CLC), and a 15-bed medical floor that offers detoxification and low complexity inpatient treatment. Canandaigua also provides skilled nursing and rehabilitation care with an 80-bed CLC. The facilities are located in the heart of the Finger Lakes region in west central New York where you can enjoy all four seasons with plenty to do including hiking, biking, skiing, boating, soaring (gliders) and is known for gorgeous lakes, waterfalls, gorges, and rolling hills, many wineries and culinary highlights.