

VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System - PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency

The VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System is a teaching healthcare system with 18 locations in Northeast Ohio that serves more than 110,900 Veterans across 21 counties. It is a training environment for more than 3,000 students across various disciplines in affiliation with more than 200 academic institutions. The main medical center, the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, is one of the largest VA facilities in the country and serves as the primary residency site. It is located about six miles east of downtown Cleveland at Wade Park in University Circle.



PGY2 Program Purpose: PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.

The PGY-2 Geriatrics Pharmacy Residency offers clinical experience in Acute Inpatient Rehabilitation, Geriatric Outpatient clinic, the Community Living Center (CLC) and areas where geriatric patients are especially concentrated and have specific needs. The resident will function as a member of the multidisciplinary geriatric care team during diverse patient care activities. Our goal is to promote individual growth, professional development, self-reliance, and responsibility.

REQUIRED EXPERIENCES:

Ambulatory Care (Community Based) – 1 month
Community Living Center (CLC) - Longitudinal
Geriatric Outpatient Clinic - Longitudinal
Home Based Primary Care (HBPC) – 2 months
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Service – 5 months

ELECTIVE EXPERIENCES (All are 1 month except Renal/Anemia):

Ambulatory Care (additional month)
Antimicrobial Stewardship
Anticoagulation Clinic
Emergency Department (Geriatric-Focused)
Endocrine
Heart Failure
Geropsychiatry
Infectious Diseases
Internal Medicine
Inpatient Psychiatry
Renal/Anemic Clinic (2 months)
Women's Health



ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ACTIVITIES:

- Advanced Nurse Practitioner Lecture Series
- Case Presentation (one) and Journal Club Presentations (two)
- Chief Resident
- Geriatric Grand Rounds
- Medication Use Evaluation
- NEOMED Teaching Certificate Program (optional)
- VANEOHS Teaching Certificate Program (optional)
- Research or Quality Improvement Project with Lean Six Sigma Certification
- Student Preceptorship
- Staffing Requirement (every 3rd– 4th weekend)

NATIONAL MATCHING SERVICE CODE: 562154 (VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System)

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE:

U.S. citizenship required for VA employment. Curriculum vitae, letter of intent, transcript with GPA or class rank if school does not calculate GPA should be submitted via PhORCAS. Letter of intent should focus on why candidate is specifically interested in the VA Northeast Ohio Healthcare System PGY2 Geriatric residency program. Three references requested, with one being from the PGY1 Residency Program Director and at least one from a clinical rotation preceptors. References should use the PhORCAS reference format (separate narrative letter not required) and should specifically comment on how the resident compares to other residents.

2022 RECRUITMENT INFORMATION:

We will be participating in the Ohio Society of Health-System Pharmacy (OSHP) Residency Showcase on November 5th; more information and registration is available here: <https://www.ohioshp.org>, under the Events/Meetings tab.

We will additionally be participating in the VA Residency Virtual Showcase on December 8th from 12-2PM EST via [Microsoft Teams](#); more information about this showcase will be posted here: <https://www.pbm.va.gov/education/vapharmacyresidencyprogram.asp>.

We will not be participating in other national showcases this year nor hosting an open house. Candidates may also schedule one-on-one times to meet with the RPD via Microsoft Teams by emailing the RPD. All interviews will be conducted virtually this year. We are planning an *optional* onsite open house specifically for candidates invited to interview that would occur after the virtual interview and will not be taken into consideration for the site's ranking.

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