VA Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center & Clinics (VA SORCC)

PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency Program
The VA SORCC in White City, Oregon is recruiting two PGY-1 Pharmacy Residents

Purpose Statement (ASHP Standard) & Program Description

PGY-1 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 (PGY-2) pharmacy residency training.

The purpose of this program is to develop pharmacists’ skills in disease state management, pharmacy operations, and quality improvement. Under expert guidance, our residents will build foundational clinical skills in a variety of settings which may include Primary Care, Anticoagulation, Mental Health, Substance Abuse treatment, and Diabetes Clinic settings. Upon completion, residents will be qualified for primary care practice or prepared for PGY-2 training to specialize further. Graduates of the program will be prepared to excel in Primary Care, Patient Safety, Formulary Management, Pharmacy Operations, and Leadership. This program aims to develop well-rounded, thoughtful, and proficient pharmacists who are equipped for life-long learning and success.

Position Information

- Estimated Stipend: $41,533
- Benefits: 13 days accrued sick leave, 13 accrued vacation days, medical/life vision/dental insurance options available, 10 paid federal holidays, free on-site parking, office space, and authorized leave for residency related activities
- Estimated program dates: July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022
- No required staffing on nights or weekends
- Pharmacy residents are provided resources including a laptop computer, office space, & access to tele-work as needed
- Residents are expected to possess full, current, and unrestricted licensure to practice pharmacy in a State, Territory, or Commonwealth of the United States, or the District of Columbia by September 30, 2021

For additional information, please visit our website or contact the program director:

**Monica White, PharmD**
PGY-1 Residency Program Director
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***Also find us at the ASHP Midyear Residency Showcase or contact us to be invited to a virtual open house this November/December***
**Longitudinal Rotations (full-year):**
- Pharmacy Staffing & Formulary Management
- Chronic Disease State Panel Management
- Long-Term Professional Development
- Resident Project

**Block Rotations (4-5 weeks):**
- Orientation & Outpatient Pharmacy Services
- Anticoagulation Services
- General Medicine & Ambulatory Care (PACT-I)*
- Ambulatory Care II (PACT-II)*
- Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Leadership
- Primary Care Mental Health Integration (PCMHI)
- Mental Health I

**Elective Rotation Options (may select 2-4):**
- Asante Medical Center (Requires Oregon Pharmacist License)
- Informatics
- Diabetes Care
- Pain Management Clinic
- Pharmacoeconomics Specialty
- Teaching Certificate
- Mental Health II
- Additional Longitudinal Options:
  - Pain Management, HBPC, Tobacco/Smoking Cessation Clinic

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*PACT= Patient Aligned Care Team

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**Comments from Our Team**

**Monica White, PharmD**
*PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Director*
*Pharmacoeconomics Program Manager*
*Pharmacy Education Coordinator*

“It is truly an exciting time for our pharmacy residency program and I am proud of my colleagues who continue to make it so successful. Our team of preceptors genuinely make a difference in the quality of our program. Not to mention, our staff is continuously growing, allotting further learning experience opportunities. My personal objective as RPD is to ensure the program fosters the needs of residents individually and guarantees ongoing success.”

**Anuj Patel, PharmD**
*VA SORCC PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident (2020-2021)*
*PCOM Georgia School of Pharmacy—Class of 2020*

“I chose to complete my PGY-1 training at VA SORCC because it offered me the perfect blend of a challenging environment to develop my skills to become an exceptional ambulatory care pharmacist, and the opportunity to work with the clinical staff and preceptors who place strong and supportive emphasis on my growth. Throughout the interview process and now as a resident, it’s clear that everyone here is willing to go the extra mile to help my development. From finding the right longitudinal project, scheduling rotations to fit my career plans (even outside the VA), or just taking the time to check in on me to see how I’m progressing and managing, I cannot be happier to have landed in beautiful Southern Oregon to complete my residency.”

**Victor Tang, PharmD**
*VA SORCC PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident (2020-2021)*
*UC San Diego School of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences—Class of 2020*

“I chose the VA SORCC for my PGY-1 because it allowed me to further my interest in ambulatory care while offering a diverse array of electives to pursue, such as pain management and informatics. The preceptors serve as great mentors for developing and honing my clinical skills, as well as also being very responsive to feedback. It is also not far from many great outdoor activities, as they are just minutes away from anywhere here in the Rogue Valley.”
Located just outside Medford, VA SORCC is a short drive from Crater Lake and the Oregon Coast. In nearby historic Jacksonville, you can catch a concert at the Britt Music and Arts Festival.

Ashland is home to Southern Oregon University, as well as the internationally recognized Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

The Rogue Valley provides ample opportunities to take in the scenery, whether you’re seated on the patio of a local restaurant, or hiking Mt. Ashland.

With minimal precipitation and snowfall, our climate is mild (contrary to our Pacific Northwest neighbors), with an average annual temperature around 68°F.

Southern Oregon is rich with a diverse landscape, varied culture, and deep heritage. Whether you’re looking for outdoor adventure, historical exploration, cultural thrills, or culinary delights, you can find it in Oregon.