



**West Texas VA  
Health Care System**

# **PGY-1 RESIDENCY PROGRAM**

## **How to apply**

MUST have U.S. citizenship and Pharm.D. degree from an accredited School of Pharmacy

The following application materials should be uploaded to PhORCAS:

**Deadline: 1/6/2023**

- **3 letters of recommendation**
- **Curriculum Vitae**
- **Pharmacy School Transcripts**
- **Supplemental application**  
(in lieu of Letter of Intent)
- **2 samples of written work**  
(DI question or journal club)

## **Our Program**

The ambulatory care-focused PGY1 pharmacy residency program at the WTVAHCS will prepare **2** pharmacy residents to function as clinicians providing advanced patient care and become eligible to pursue second year postgraduate training in a focused area of practice.

# FAQs

## What does a typical resident workday look like?

Residents work in the pharmacy from 8:00-4:30 Monday through Friday. Duties vary based on rotation, but include in-person and telehealth patient visits, writing notes, staff coverage, and other projects.

## What have past residents gone on to do in their careers?

Past residents have gone on to complete PGY2s in academia and mental health. They have accepted positions as clinical pharmacy specialists in ambulatory care, mental health, pain management, hepatitis C, and academia.

## How many hours per week do residents spend on program-related work?

40-45 hours in the pharmacy, plus approximately 10 hours per week on projects outside of work.

## What are the resident staffing responsibilities?

Lunch coverage daily for one hour, one day per month in inpatient, and late shift (4:30-5:00) two weeks per month.

## Do you offer teaching opportunities?

We offer an optional teaching certificate through ASHP and annual precepting opportunities.

# About the WTVA

The George H. O'Brien, Jr. Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Big Spring, TX is the core of the West Texas Veterans Affairs Health Care System (WTVAHCS), collectively serving more than 17,000 veterans throughout West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. Clinical pharmacists can connect with veterans across 53,000 square miles through state-of-the-art telehealth technology. Likewise, comprehensive residential care pharmacy services are provided for veterans admitted to the 40-bed Community Living Center (CLC).

## Contact Info

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### 2022-2023 PGY-1 Pharmacy Residents:

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[WTVA PGY1 website](#)

# Program Details

## Core Rotations

- Orientation
- Chronic disease management (PACT)
- Anticoagulation
- Mental health & pain management
- Home-Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Geriatrics (CLC)
- Management

## Elective Rotations

Include, but are not limited to:

- Pain management
- Mental health
- Management

## Pay & Benefits

- Competitive stipend
- 13 days vacation & sick leave
- 11 federal holidays
- Health, vision, and dental insurance
- Lab coats & laundry service
- Free parking
- Conference attendance



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# West Texas VA

## PGY-1 Residency Program

2023 - 2024

The West Texas VA is a rural access hospital that serves veterans and provides the unique ability to engage pharmacy residents in ambulatory and geriatric patient care, along with practice and project management.



- Registration will be at the link below and must be completed by 11/10/2022.
- Open to all candidates that will receive their PharmD at the end of the current academic year or already have received their Pharm.D.
- Each session will be limited to 30 participants and slots will be filled on a first-come-first serve basis

Registration link: [Sign Up!](#)



# VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

## WHAT?

Schedule for each event is as follows:

- Program overview with Residency Program Director
- Q&A session with current residents
- Q&A session with Residency Program Director and Coordinator

## WHEN?

Open house will be held on two different dates. Please only register for one date:

- Tuesday, November 15, 2022  
4:00-5:00 PM Central Time
- Thursday, November 17, 2022  
4:00-5:00 PM Central Time

## WHERE?

This event will be virtual and conducted on Microsoft Teams.

