South Texas Veterans Health Care System – San Antonio, Texas
PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program

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Please visit us at: https://www.southtexas.va.gov/Pharmacy_Residency_Information.asp
We are affiliated with The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy – please visit our page to learn more.

South Texas Veterans Health Care System
South Texas Veterans Health Care System (STVHCS) is comprised of two inpatient campuses: the Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital in San Antonio and the Kerrville VA Hospital in Kerrville, Texas. STVHCS is part of the VA Heart of Texas Veterans Integrated Service Network (VISN 17). South Texas provides health care services for 80,000 unique Veterans. The Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital (ALMMVH) is a quaternary care facility affiliated with the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA). Comprehensive health care is provided through acute medical, surgical, mental health, physical medicine and rehabilitation, geriatric, and primary care services in addition to care provided in the Spinal Cord Injury Center, Community Living Center, Domiciliary, and Substance Abuse Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (SARRTP). As a Level II Research facility, ALMMVH has projects that include aging, cardiac surgery, cancer, diabetes and HIV. The facility has one of three National Institutes of Health sponsored clinical research centers in the VA. In addition, the Geriatric Research, Education & Clinical Center (GRECC) is a “Center of Excellence.” (https://www.southtexas.va.gov/about/index.asp)

The Pharmacy Service offers 24-hour coverage, centralized unit-dose drug distribution, a complete IV-admixture program, and clinical services across many specialties and levels of care. Outpatient pharmacies are also located in some clinics and operate during clinic business hours. The Clinical Pharmacy Program employs over 70 clinical pharmacy specialists. In addition to three postgraduate year one (PGY1) residency positions, our facility offers ten postgraduate year two (PGY2) residency positions in ambulatory care, geriatrics, infectious disease, internal medicine, oncology, pain and palliative care, and psychiatry. Our residents are appointed as Clinical Instructors with The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy and have opportunities in both didactic and experiential instruction. VA residents also have the opportunity to work with other local pharmacy residents and masters’ students from the University of Texas.

Residency Purpose
PGY1 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 PGY2 pharmacy residency training.

Application Requirements
Please submit your application through PhORCAS (NMS Code 119613) and include the following:
- Letter of intent, curriculum vitae, three (3) letters of recommendation, academic transcripts
- Supplemental Application Questions – download from program website and submit through PhORCAS

Application Deadline: January 1, 2021 at Noon (CST)

Qualifications:
- United States citizenship
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE-accredited institution
- Eligible to practice pharmacy in at least one state – licensure in Texas is required for off-site rotations
Learning Experiences

Required
- Orientation (3 weeks in July)
- Inpatient/Outpatient Pharmacy Orientation and Training (2-3 weeks each)
- Practice Management (longitudinal)
- Scholarly Activities (longitudinal)
- Practice Mgmt and Scholarly Activities (Dec)
- Geriatrics – CLC or HBPC (1 month)
- Internal Medicine (2 months)
- Critical Care (MICU, SICU, or CCU – 1 month)
- Primary Care (1 month)
- Primary Care (longitudinal clinic)
- Outpatient Psychiatry (1 month)

Electives
- Three months – at least 1 Acute Care and 1 Ambulatory Care
- Availability of electives may vary year to year pending preceptor availability

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Projects and Experiences
One research/quality improvement project (Poster Presentation at The University of Texas Celebrating Research Day)
One medication usage evaluation
One practice management project
One committee assignment and participation in P&T meetings
Pharmacotherapy Rounds Presentation
Pharmacotherapy Seminar Topic Discussion
Teaching and Leadership Fellows Program for Residents (optional)

Drug Information
Minimum 1 response per month on direct patient care rotations
Pharmacy Newsletter (participation in one of four quarterly issues)
One in-service presentation to inpatient clinical pharmacists
Monthly Adverse Drug Event reporting

Staffing
Four hours per week (4:30 to 8:30 PM) of inpatient pharmacy and outpatient discharges
Sunday discharge counseling (9:30 AM to 6:00 PM; rotating schedule)
Weekend clinical pager coverage (8:00 AM to 5:00 PM; rotating schedule)

This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.
Scheduled Recruitment Events for the 2021-2022 PGY1 Residency Class

We will be participating in the following recruitment events related to the 2021-2022 PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Class. Please contact Jason Corbo and Dana Douglass for additional information.

ACCP Residency and Fellowship Showcase (November 6th, 2020 – 1 to 3 PM CST)
- We will be participating through The University of Texas College of Pharmacy – their booth will be titled “The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy Affiliated Residency Programs”
- We are scheduled for the UT booth on Friday, November 6th from 1 to 3 PM CST.
- Please see the following page for more information and details about registering for the event:

STVHCS PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program Virtual Open House
- Wednesday, November 18th from 1 to 4 PM (CST)
- This event will be virtual and conducted via Zoom with assistance from The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy. The format will be as follows and offered as three hourlong sessions:
  - First 20 minutes → welcome and program overview
  - Second 20 minutes → breakout sessions with current PGY1 Residents
  - Third 20 minutes → breakout sessions with RPD or coordinator
- Advance registration is required and open to all candidates who will receive their PharmD at the end of the current academic year OR have already received their PharmD.
  - Registration deadline = Monday, November 16th at noon (CST)
  - To better ensure a positive experience for attendees, we will be limiting each hourlong session to 30 participants. Slots will be filled on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please see the registration links below for each session:
    1 – 2 PM CST: https://utexas.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwtce2hrzMiEtDmon_7guC8xtmXhbBSxnUz
    2 – 3 PM CST: https://utexas.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlrfuChrTwoGdzhPnl802HegtUl_WxT8yew
    3 – 4 PM CST: https://utexas.zoom.us/meeting/register/tUYkfyurjwiGNzt1clbN5OVjsxaxGQopxhJX
- Contact Jason.Corbo@va.gov or Dana.Douglass@va.gov if you have any questions about the event.

ASHP Midyear 2020 Residency Showcase (December 7-8th, 2020)
- The South Texas VA PGY1 and PGY2 Pharmacy Residency Programs will attend the ASHP Midyear Residency Showcase. Our virtual booth is scheduled for the Tuesday PM session (December 8th from 3 to 6 PM EST).
- The University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy will have a separate booth promoting all of the affiliated residency programs on Tuesday, December 8th during the afternoon session—please be sure to visit them if possible.
- Please see the following page for more information and details about registering for the event:
  https://midyear.ashp.org/Residency-Showcase

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