The South Texas Veterans Health Care System is comprised of the Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital division, the Kerrville division, and the satellite clinic division. The Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital is a 350-bed facility with an adjacent 90-bed Community Living Center (CLC), a 30-bed Spinal Cord Injury Unit, an 8-bed Bone Marrow Transplant Unit, and a Geriatric Research, Education, and Clinical Center. The facility is located in northwest San Antonio and provides primary, secondary, and tertiary health care in medicine, psychiatry, oncology, surgery, and rehabilitation medicine to serve the health care needs of area veterans. Primary care needs of veterans are also addressed at several outpatient clinics that are located near Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital. The Pharmacy Service offers 24-hour coverage, centralized unit-dose drug distribution, complete IV-admixture program, and clinical services. Pharmacies are also located in the outpatient clinics and operate during clinic business hours.

The PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency at the South Texas Veterans Health Care System is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists. This comprehensive, post-doctoral clinical pharmacy training program is designed to produce a clinician demonstrating skills necessary to provide comprehensive pharmaceutical care to geriatric patients in a variety of health care settings, including geriatric primary care, long-term care, and acute care. Other intended outcomes of this residency program include the following: function as a member of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary treatment teams providing care to geriatric patients, serve as an educator for geriatric patients, family members, pharmacy students, and health care providers, exhibit leadership and management skills in a professional manner, display characteristics of professional and personal self-growth as a geriatric practitioner, and demonstrate the ability to proactively identify and meet opportunities available in the provision of pharmaceutical care to our aging population.
QUALIFICATIONS

- U.S. Citizenship
- Pharm.D. with successful completion of ASHP accredited PGY1 Residency

PROGRAM COMPLETION

- Upon successful completion of the residency program requirements, participants will be awarded an ASHP accredited PGY-2 Geriatrics Pharmacy Residency certificate.

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

- 8 months required in core geriatric rotations - Community Learning Center, Home Based Primary Care, Hospice, Acute Care Internal Medicine, Geriatric Primary Care, Palliative Care and Transitions of Care
- 4 months of elective rotations—geriatric psychiatry (required if no psychiatry rotation completed during PGY1 residency), HIV/ Hepatology, Hospital in the Home, Oncology, ID/Critical Care, Antimicrobial Stewardship, Long-term Care (Consultant– Community Based), Neurology, Renal; core rotations may be repeated for elective experiences
- Longitudinal Learning Experience in the Geriatric Evaluation and Management Clinic to include anticoagulation management

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Pharmacotherapy Grand Rounds presentation
- Pharmacotherapy Seminar topic discussion
- STVHCS Pharmacy Grand Rounds Presentation
- Clinical research project
- Poster presentation at The University of Texas Celebrating Research Day
- Medication Usage Evaluation
- Pharmacy Newsletter
- Participation in a committee
- Geriatric Topic Discussion with Geriatric Pharmacy Preceptors
- Drug Information Questions (Longitudinal + minimum 1 written response/month on direct patient care rotations)
- One in-service presentation to staff pharmacists (inpatient/outpatient)
- Participation in Interdisciplinary Geriatric Didactic Sessions including leading 1 journal club presentation
- Academic Training Program (optional)

APPLICATION PROCESS

Please submit your application through PhORCAS prior to application deadline.

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