

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

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**South Texas Veterans Health Care System**

The South Texas Veterans Health Care System (STVHCS) 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 eight-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.

**Residency Outcomes**

Upon completion of this PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, the pharmacist will:

- Provide safe and effective patient care to a diverse range of patients following a consistent patient care process in collaboration with the health care team
- Ensure continuity of care during patient transitions between care settings
- Prepare, dispense, and manage medications to support safe and effective drug therapy for patients
- Demonstrate ability to manage formulary and medication-use processes
- Demonstrate ability to evaluate and investigate practice, review data, and assimilate scientific evidence to improve patient care and/or the medication use system
- Demonstrate leadership and management skills
- Provide effective medication and practice-related education to patients, caregivers, health care professionals, students, and the public
- Effectively employ appropriate preceptors' roles when engaged in teaching

**Residency Purpose**

Pharmacists completing this residency will be able to provide proficient, confident, and compassionate direct patient care to a wide range of conditions. They will be accountable for promoting safe and effective drug usage and achieving optimal drug therapy outcomes as vital members of the health care team. These practitioners will exercise skill in educating other health care professionals, patients, and the community on drug therapy-related topics. Furthermore, they will demonstrate professional maturity by developing and following a personal philosophy of practice and exhibiting commitment to the profession. Upon completion of the program, the pharmacists will be well-qualified candidates for both PGY2 pharmacy specialty residency and clinical or academic positions.

## **Application Deadline: January 3, 2018**

Please submit your application (Letter of Intent, Curriculum Vitae, three letters of recommendation, academic transcripts) through PhORCAS – **NMS Code 119613**

Qualifications:

- Be a United States citizen
- Have a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE-accredited institution
- Be eligible to practice pharmacy in at least one state – licensure in Texas is required

## **Learning Experiences**

### **Required**

- Orientation (3 weeks in July)
- Inpatient/Outpatient Pharmacy (3 weeks each – July/August)
- Practice Management (1 month – December)
- Geriatrics – CLC/HBPC (1 month)
- Internal Medicine (2 months)
- Inpatient Psychiatry (1 month)
- Primary Care (1 month)
- Primary Care (longitudinal clinic)
- Anticoagulation (longitudinal)

### **Electives**

- Four months – at least 2 Acute Care and 1 Ambulatory Care

<b>Acute Care Rotations</b>	<b>Ambulatory Care Rotations</b>
Antimicrobial Stewardship	Antimicrobial Stewardship
Cardiology	Cardiology
Geriatrics – Community Living Center	Hepatitis C/HIV
Hematology/Oncology/BMT	Geriatric Primary Care – GeriPACT
Inpatient Psychiatry	Geriatrics – Home Based Primary Care
Internal Medicine	Outpatient Psychiatry
Surgical ICU	Pain Management
Transitions of Care (GMED)	Primary Care – Patient Aligned Care Team
Emergency Department (University Health)	Substance Abuse
Solid Organ Transplant (University Health)	

## **Projects**

One clinical 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

Pharmacotherapy Rounds Presentation

Pharmacotherapy Seminar Topic Discussions

Pharmacy Newsletter (Drug Information)

Academic Training Program (optional)

## **Drug Information**

Minimum 1 response for longitudinal clinic

Minimum 1 responses/month on direct patient care rotations

One in-service presentation to Inpatient Clinical Pharmacists

Monthly Adverse Drug Event reporting

## **Staffing**

Four hours per week (evening) of inpatient pharmacy/outpatient discharges