Overview

The VA Puget Sound Health Care System (VAPSHCS) is a 421-bed acute care center that provides tertiary care for veterans in Western Washington. Services are also provided to veterans upon referral from Alaska, Eastern Washington, and Northern Idaho. The VA is affiliated with the University of Washington and has 37 allied health training programs (including medicine, pharmacy, nursing, and various other disciplines). Inpatient and outpatient services include medicine, dialysis, surgery, substance abuse, spinal cord injury, and bone marrow transplant. The VAPSHCS receives $38 million in research funding for biomedical, gerontological, rehabilitation, and health systems research.

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**Overview**

**PGY2 Health-System Pharmacy Administration Residency**

This residency is structured to support and enhance patient care by promoting safe, effective, and efficient medication use while developing knowledge and expertise in pharmacy administration and leadership. Successful residents from this program will demonstrate the ability to plan, organize, staff, direct, control, and continuously improve all pharmacy services. Skills will include strategic planning, human resource management, fiscal management, regulatory compliance, performance improvement, and evidence based medication use.

This residency is a 12-month, 2nd year postgraduate training program. The program structure ensures basic training in all aspects of pharmacy administration. The program is flexible enough to adapt to the needs of the individual resident and the skill sets the resident brings to the program. The goal is to provide a continuum of growth to help the individual resident along a life-long learning and self-assessment path. The program is currently in its fifth year.

Residency duration: 12 months
Number of positions: 1
Starting date: July 1st (flexible)
Estimated stipend: $47,680

Benefits include: 13 vacation days, 13 sick days, 10 paid holidays, health, dental, vision, life insurance, and dedicated workspace and computer.

**Program Structure**

**Training Includes:**

**Pharmacy Operations:** patient centric design, change management, distribution (inpatient & outpatient), clinical operations management, automation and technology, medication distribution and control, virtual pharmacy services, purchasing and inventory, systems redesign, legal, regulatory, and accreditation requirements.

**Human Resource Management:** strategic and organizational planning, job analysis and description, staffing and recruitment, staff development, training and competencies, performance management, and employee/labor relations.

**Finance & Budgeting:** procurement, contracting, budgeting (operational & capital), budget projection, monitoring, cost containment, return on investment analysis, and pharmacoeconomics.

**Patient Safety:** just culture development, multidisciplinary integration, root cause analysis, adverse drug event reporting, and patient safety projects.

**Pharmacy Informatics:** computerized patient record management, clinical decision support, metric development & reporting, data evaluation & analysis, drug cost utilization and trending.

**Research Project**

**Elective Rotations:** based on resident interest

**How to Apply**

**Qualifications**

Required prerequisites:
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree with licensure in any state
- Completion or anticipated completion of a PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency
- United States Citizenship
- A personal, on-site interview
- Participation in the ASHP residency matching program (www.natmatch.com/ashprmp)

**How to Apply**

Apply through the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS). Standard application materials include:
- Verified transcripts
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation using the PhORCAS standardized reference form - Must include a reference from your PGY-1 Residency Program Director
- A completed Application for Associated Health Occupations (VA Form 10-2850c)

**Application Deadline:**
Wednesday, January 4, 2017