VA Learning Opportunities Residency (VALOR) at the Aleda E. Lutz VA Medical Center Saginaw, Michigan

Information About the Program:

- The VALOR Program is designed to give excellent learning experiences to academically-successful students.
- The program is designed to give students a broad view of the roles of pharmacists within the largest healthcare system in the nation.
- Students in the program are hired on a full-time or part-time basis during the summer months with the possibility of part-time employment during their final academic year (up to 800 hours total).
- Contact Dr. LaVigne no later than 3/11/19 to be considered for this year.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Completion of P2 year from an accredited Doctor of Pharmacy program by the time the VALOR program would be started
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Ability to complete 400 hours as a pharmacy VALOR student
- United States citizenship
- Successful completion of a physical examination

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Pharmacy VALOR Program—Saginaw VA

Application Requirements:
- Applications for Federal Employment (VA Forms OF-306 & 10-2850D)
- Curriculum Vitae
- Official College Transcripts
- Letter from the Dean/Director of the School or College of Pharmacy including the following:
  - Nomination of the student
  - Verification of:
    - Enrollment as a full-time student
    - Successful completion of the second year of pharmacy education
    - Anticipated graduation within two years of entry into the VALOR program

Activities:
- Clinical
  - Participation in the Pharmacy Primary Care Clinic (diabetes, hypertension, and hyperlipidemia management)
  - Participation in the Anticoagulation Clinic
  - Formulary management
  - Drug information questions
- Dispensing
  - Participation in the operations of the outpatient pharmacy
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- Administrative
  - Attendance of Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee meeting
  - Attendance of other key medical center committees
  - Medication Use Evaluations (MUEs), as available
  - Discussion of policies and procedures of pharmacy and the medical center