



PGY2



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Why Cincinnati VA?

As a pharmacy student and PGY1 pharmacy resident, I had the opportunity to work with the veteran population, specifically within mental health, and saw the impact a pharmacist may have on a veteran's wellbeing while practicing at the top of their license. Throughout my PGY1 experience at the CVAMC, our pharmacy staff's passion and kindness for veterans and other co-workers really drew me into loving and staying here at the Cincinnati VA. I am excited to be a part of a team that is so devoted to providing the best education for their residents but also providing high quality patient care to our veterans. This year, I look forward to advancing my clinical knowledge and skills in psychiatry and striving to become a well-rounded pharmacist in both the inpatient and outpatient setting! I'm excited to have the opportunity to continue to foster relationships here at the CVAMC!!

Areas of Interest: Psychiatry, Infectious disease/HIV, Women's health

PGY1s



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Why Cincinnati VA?: I chose the VA because I wanted the opportunity to give back to those who served our country and to be a part of an organization that allows pharmacists to practice at the top of their license to provide high quality healthcare. With the VA, I can see patients in a variety of inpatient and outpatient settings. The Cincinnati VA has a wide range of specialties and rotation experiences that will allow me to become a well-rounded

pharmacist. One thing that specifically attracted me to the Cincinnati VA, were the many specialty ambulatory care rotations including endocrinology, HIV/AIDS, cardiology and pain. Along with the core rotations in primary care, internal medicine, and anticoagulation, I believe I will develop a great foundation in primary care and be better able to serve my future patients!

Area of Interest: Primary Care, Endocrinology



Name: Emma Eccher

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Why Cincinnati VA?: While on APPE rotations, The VA Health Care System stood out to me because of how it allows pharmacists to provide excellent patient centered care while practicing at the top of their license. It was on an ambulatory care rotation at the VA that I decided to pursue a residency! It was awesome to see the relationships pharmacists were able to create with their patients and the differences in a patient's health that resulted. During the interview process with the

Cincinnati VA, I was encouraged by the RPD and preceptors, as they expressed genuine enthusiasm for the program and for their residents. I was also excited by the mix of inpatient and outpatient experiences, elective opportunities, and teaching certificate that the program offers. I am both thankful and excited to be a part of the team at the Cincinnati VA, as I believe it provides opportunities to develop into a confident clinical pharmacist, while learning and working in an incredibly kind and supportive environment.

Area of Interest: Ambulatory Care (Primary Care), Geriatrics, Outpatient



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Why Cincinnati VA?

During my fourth year of pharmacy school, I was able to have a VA rotation in internal medicine. I was impressed by the all-encompassing care provided to our veterans. From there, I continued to grow experience in many different areas of pharmacy which made me want to be involved with the VA health system at a higher level. This year, I look forward caring for patients, being involved in projects, and making an impact to those around me. I believe the Cincinnati VA residency program offers the perfect balance of experiences to help a new pharmacist grow a strong foundation early in their career. I have a passion for healthcare informatics, system processes, and medication safety. Ultimately, I plan to utilize these skills to improve patient experiences and outcomes.

Areas of interest: Pharmacy Informatics, Medication Safety, Internal Medicine



Name: Emily Kim

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Why Cincinnati VA?:

As a student interested in ambulatory and geriatric pharmacy, I had the privilege of completing a rotation at a VA hospital. During this rotation, I had the opportunity to apply my passion to providing care for veterans. I witnessed how VA pharmacists practiced empathy and advocacy to directly impact veterans' health outcomes, and was inspired to pursue a residency at the VA. At first, I was drawn to Cincinnati VA for its diverse learning opportunities that aligned with my interest such as home-based primary care, mental health, and geriatrics. I was then thoroughly impressed by the positive experience the previous year's residents shared about the program, especially about the supportive environment and diverse learning opportunities. This year, I am excited to grow, connect, and challenge myself alongside a brilliant team!

Areas of Interest: Geriatrics, Ambulatory Care, Mental Health



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Why Cincinnati VA?: Growing up, I was inspired by my grandfather who served in the Army for 20 years. After seeing the care that he received in the VA Healthcare system, I knew that I wanted to work somewhere where I could give back to people like him. As a pharmacy student, I had a formative experience working with veterans in the VA Healthcare system. I was able to explore aspects of inpatient, ambulatory, and mental health care offered by the VA. The Cincinnati VA provides me the opportunity to continue learning in this environment with a rich selection of inpatient and outpatient experiences. I

knew that I wanted to train in the Cincinnati VA after seeing how welcoming, knowledgeable, and passionate the pharmacy team was. The Cincinnati VA also offers a PGY2 position in my primary interest of psychiatric pharmacy. I am beyond excited to spend this next year becoming a better pharmacist! Most importantly, I look forward to serving those who so selflessly served us.

Area of Interest: Psychiatry, Ambulatory Care, Teaching