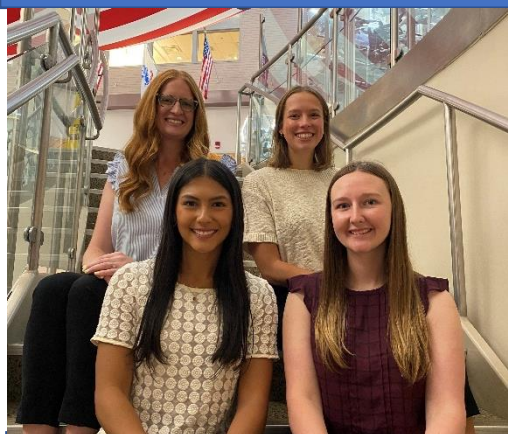


Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program

Program Code: 129513



Facility Overview

The Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center serves approximately 37,000 veterans yearly. This VA is a medical and surgical facility with 68 inpatient beds and 70 nursing home beds.

Residency Program Overview

Our ASHP-accredited program provides residents with a strong foundation to build their clinical skills. Residents rotate through a variety of clinical settings including internal medicine, ambulatory care, mental health, pain management, long-term care, and practice management. Our preceptors practice at the top of their license, under a scope of practice, allowing residents to learn and develop the confidence of a mid-level provider. Our program focuses on the well-being of our residents and does not require staffing on nights, weekends, or holidays to help promote a well-balanced work life.

Application Package submitted via PhORCAS

- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of Intent that answers below questions
 - What are your areas of clinical interest?
 - What are your 5-year career goals?
 - Why the Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center?
- Three letters of recommendation (Must include at least one letter from clinical preceptor/ faculty)
- Official copy of academic transcripts from pharmacy school
- Official copy candidate's class rank if applying from pass/fail school

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Application deadline: January 1st

Number of available positions: 4

Start date: July 1st

Estimated Stipend: \$47,397

Benefits: 13 days of annual leave, 13 days of sick leave, and affordable health insurance

Eligibility Requirements

- US Citizenship by birth or naturalization
- Graduate from ACPE accredited School of Pharmacy
- Eligibility for pharmacy licensure in any state of the United States
- Residents encouraged to be licensed by September 1st
- License transfer to PA is not necessary





Program Purpose: PGY1 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives. Residents who successfully complete PGY1 residency programs will be skilled in diverse patient care, practice management, leadership, and education, and be prepared to provide patient care, seek board certification in pharmacotherapy (i.e., BCPS), and pursue advanced education and training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies.

Required Learning Experiences

- Orientation (1 week)
- Pharmacy Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT) (8 weeks)
- Internal Medicine (6 weeks)
- Mental Health (6 weeks)
- Formulary Management (4 weeks)
- Practice Management (4 weeks)
- Precepting (4 weeks, 4 hours/week)
- Geriatrics (Longitudinal 48weeks: 4 hours/week)
- Pharmacy Staffing (Longitudinal 48weeks: 4 hours/week with additional 4-week rotation)

Electives -Choice of 3 (5 weeks each)

- Academic Detailing
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Diabetes Clinic
- Home Based Primary Care (HBPC)
- Oncology
- Pain Management/Substance Use Disorder
- Pharmacy Informatics/Pharmacoeconomics
- Precepting and Learning Certification in affiliation with Wilkes University (Longitudinal 32weeks)

Other Activities

- Residency project (presented at a Conference)
- Medication Use Evaluation (MUE)
- Criteria For Use (CFU) or treatment protocol
- Continuing Medical Education (CME)/In-services
- Adverse drug reporting system
- VISN 4 Journal Club Presentation
- Non-formulary drug reviews
- Pharmacy newsletters