Meet Our Residents 2023 – 2024

PGY-1 Ambulatory Care

Ben Enriquez, PharmD



Pharmacy school: University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

Career interests: Mental health, Academia

<u>Residency Project:</u> The impact of clinical pharmacist practitioner offer of lung cancer screening in a VA tobacco treatment clinic <u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: I chose the Madison VA because of its wealth of opportunities in mental health and psychiatric pharmacy. They also have a strong emphasis on DEI.

Hobbies: Trying new restaurants, biking around the lake, and traveling when I can!

Favorite things to do in Madison: Playing pick-up soccer at the west fields or eating at my favorite restaurant Estacion Inka!

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Elizabeth Donnelly, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy <u>Career interests</u>: Endocrinology (specifically diabetes, the reproductive axes, and gender affirming care), Medical Communications

<u>Residency Project:</u> Evaluation of primary care pharmacist driven prospective identification of Veterans eligible for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)

<u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: I chose the Madison VA because of the wide variety of opportunities offered to pharmacy residents in the ambulatory care setting. I also thought that all the residents/pharmacy team members I met throughout the interview process were so genuine and welcoming, which further influenced my decision to choose the Madison VA.

<u>Hobbies:</u> Outside of residency, I love playing board games, going for casual bike rides, reading, and decorating my apartment for different holidays/seasons.

Favorite things to do in Madison: I am new to Madison, but so far some of my favorite things have been exploring the weekly farmer's markets and riding my bike along the many different scenic bike paths in the city.

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Hayley O'Connell, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> Northeastern University School of Pharmacy <u>Career interests</u>: Mental Health, Substance Use Disorders, Geriatrics, Primary Care

<u>Residency Project:</u> The evaluation of an outpatient alcohol withdrawal management pilot protocol at the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital

Why the Madison VA?: After completing an APPE at a different VA, I knew I genuinely enjoyed caring for our Veterans and wanted to continue my career working with this patient population. I was initially drawn to the Madison VA due to the program's strong emphasis on ambulatory care and mental health experiences. During my interview, it was clear that everyone is so passionate about caring for Veterans and that there was such a tight-knit culture. I'm honored to have the opportunity to be part of such an inclusive, supportive, and fun group.

<u>Hobbies:</u> Going on walks, reading, going to concerts, and spending time with family/friends

Favorite things to do in Madison: I'm still exploring all that Madison has to offer but one of my favorite things so far is to go to the farmer's market and then spend time by the lake! Contact email: Hayley.Occonnell@va.gov

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Grace Nixon, PharmD



Pharmacy school: University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>Career interests</u>: Nephrology, cardiology, primary care, and academia

<u>Residency Project:</u> Development and Implementation of Front-Line Employee-Identified Interventions to Reduce Burnout, Promote Healing, and Reinvigorate Specialty Care Clinical Pharmacist Practitioners

Why the Madison VA?: I could not think of a better institution to receive ambulatory care training in an environment where people are as enthusiastic about pharmacy as I am! As a student pharmacist, I worked at the Madison VA as an inpatient pharmacy technician, ambulatory care intern, and an ambulatory care pharmacy administration intern. In these experiences, I was able to learn at a high level to make a huge impact on patient lives and see first-hand the innovation in pharmacy practice that happens at the Madison VA. I knew completing my residency training at the Madison VA

would allow me to be trained to practice at the top of my license, while also learning how to practice self-care and support my colleagues in my future career.

<u>Hobbies:</u> Playing board/card games with friends and family, being active outdoors (especially if a lake or hike is involved), baking yummy treats

Favorite things to do in Madison: Going on long walks on the lakeshore path, enjoying the terrace, and visiting state parks

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Katherine Marshall, PharmD



Pharmacy school: University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>Career interests</u>: Primary Care, ID, Oncology

<u>Residency Project:</u> Development of an Inpatient Diabetes Service <u>Why the Madison VA:</u> The work-life balance, the ability of pharmacists to prescribe and practice at the top of their license, and the awesome specialty clinics offered as a part of both required/elective rotations, and the staff!

<u>Hobbies:</u> Cooking, baking, gardening, spending time outside with my cats, hiking, trying new restaurants, and spending time with friends/family

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Farmer's market, any Food Fight restaurant, walks around the arboretum and lakeshore path <u>Contact email:</u> Katherine.Marshall@va.gov

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PGY-1 General Practice

Taylor Shufelt, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>Career interests</u>: Working at VA as a Clinical Pharmacist, teaching/precepting learners, increasing healthcare accessibility in underserved populations

Residency Project: Standardized Clinical Evaluation of Controlled Substance Co-Prescriptions at a Veterans Affairs Hospital Why the Madison VA?: I loved that the Madison VA offers a broad range of both inpatient and ambulatory care experiences here, especially some unique and specialized ambulatory care clinics. I am especially excited to be at the Madison VA knowing the warm and welcoming culture within the pharmacy department and throughout the hospital.

<u>Hobbies:</u> love to spend time outside, including going on walks, bike rides, and gardening. I enjoy weight lifting, photography, and exploring local parks.

Favorite things to do in Madison: I love visiting Olbrich botanical

gardens and then thrifting at St. Vinny's on Willy street on the way home!

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PGY-1 Health-System Pharmacy Administration & Leadership

Breanna Kneip, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> Medical College of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy <u>Career interests</u>: Pharmacy Operations

Why the Madison VA?: I chose the Madison VA because of their reputation of being an innovative campus, along with employee and veteran satisfaction. Ultimately, the interactions I had with the staff during the recruitment process left me feeling excited and empowered and I knew this was the place I belonged.

Hobbies: Spending time with my family, play with my chocolate lab, go on runs, travel to new places

Favorite things to do in Madison: Run by the lake, go to breakfast, try new coffee places

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PGY-2 Health-System Pharmacy Administration & Leadership

Sarah LeMay, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – HSPALs <u>Career interests</u>: Pharmacy Management, Ambulatory Care, Population Health, Women's Health, Informatics, Pharmacoeconomics

Residency Project: Impact of Enhanced Integration of Clinical Pharmacist Practitioners in a Rural Patient Aligned Care Team Why the Madison VA?: The Madison VA has both a progressive pharmacy practice and inclusive culture. This culture was evident when I completed many of my APPEs here. Preceptors practice at the top of their licenses and encourage all learners to achieve their goals. I choose the HSPAL program in particular because of the strong mentorship, flexibility of rotations, and wide array of career opportunities available post residency. Last, with a large residency class, we have a ton of fun!

Hobbies: I enjoy running, hiking, and camping!

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> With multiple lakes and extensive trails, there are so many places to explore in Madison and surrounding suburbs. I enjoy running on the trail system and exploring many dog parks with my dog and husband. I enjoy spending time with friends at the countless restaurants and farmer's market downtown.

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PGY-2 Pain and Palliative Care

Joshua Pogue, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy <u>PGY-1 Training</u>: Southern Arizona VA Healthcare System – General Practice

<u>Career interests</u>: Global health, pain management
<u>Residency Project</u>: Assessing impact of low dose naltrexone
<u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: Great reputation and area, incredible people, culture of inclusivity and advancing practice
<u>Hobbies</u>: Hiking/biking, reading, playing team sports (basketball, hockey, soccer, ultimate frisbee)

Favorite things to do in Madison: Biking around the city and exploring

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PGY-2 Mental Health

Aleeya Barrolle, PharmD



Pharmacy school: Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville School of Pharmacy

PGY-1 Training: VA Illiana Health Care System – General Practice <u>Career interests</u>: Outpatient Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder/Harm Reduction/Pain Management within the VA <u>Residency Project</u>: Fentanyl Test Strip Education and Distribution <u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: Great interactions with RPDs and past residents!

<u>Hobbies:</u> Working on crafts/DIY <u>Contact email:</u> Aleeya.Barrolle@va.gov

Tabitha Miller, PharmD



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<u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – Ambulatory Care

<u>Career interests</u>: Outpatient MH, Pain Management, Public Health <u>Residency Project</u>: Harm Reduction Coordinator position development and implementation at the Madison VA <u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: Wanted to continue my education where I began it!

<u>Hobbies:</u> Crocheting, reading, spending time with family and friends <u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Trying new restaurants and breweries, going to concerts, hanging out at the park <u>Contact email:</u> Tabitha.Miller4@va.gov

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Spencer Munroe, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Iowa College of Pharmacy <u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – General Practice

<u>Career interests</u>: Inpatient psychiatry, substance use disorder, mental health administration

Residency Project: Development and Implementation of Best Practices to Reduce Burnout, Promote Healing, and Revive Inspiration in Psychiatric Clinical Pharmacist Practitioners (CPPs) at the William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital Why the Madison VA?: I was originally attracted to the Madison VA due to the incredibly inclusive, progressive, and supportive atmosphere. I completed the PGY-1 General Practice Pharmacy Residency at the Madison VA and was given the opportunity to see how pharmacists function within the VA system, which very much aligned with my interests. The psychiatric/mental health program at the Madison VA is well-renowned and I couldn't be more excited for this upcoming year!

<u>Hobbies:</u> Playing volleyball, boating (learned how to wakesurf this Summer!), traveling, and spending time with family/friends

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Spending time on the lakes, visiting breweries on the Madison Pub Pass, and finding new restaurants to try! I'm looking forward to continue exploring Madison over the next year!

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PGY-2 Ambulatory Care

Stephaney Cheng, PharmD



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<u>Career interests</u>: Primary Care, Heart Failure/Cardiology, Diabetes <u>Residency Project</u>: Assessing the Impact of Enhanced Integration of Clinical Pharmacy Practitioners in Patient Aligned Care Teams <u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: I chose the Madison VA because of the strong, inclusive work culture that fosters a positive learning environment while being able to practice at the top of my pharmacy license to serve our nation's Veterans.

<u>Hobbies:</u> Hiking, rock climbing, rollerblading, cooking, looking at (and collecting) houseplants, and spending time with my friends/family!

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Spending time at the terrace, paddleboarding on the lakes, attending Badger football games, farmer's market, and exploring new restaurants!

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Emma Dreischmeier, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – Ambulatory Care

Career interests: Primary Care

<u>Residency Project:</u> Expansion of continuous glucose monitor (CGM) prescribing and management in primary care through clinical pharmacist practitioners

<u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: I have worked here for several years and the pharmacy department and workplace culture are unbeatable at the Madison VA. I enjoy serving our Veteran population everyday at work!

<u>Hobbies:</u> Fishing, playing volleyball, and having game nights with friends

Favorite things to do in Madison: Farmer's market, spending time near the lakes, and exploring local breweries

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Lauren Johnson, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – Ambulatory Care

<u>Career interests</u>: Oncology, Rheumatology, Primary Care, GI <u>Residency Project</u>: The development and impact of virtual education pharmacist in asynchronous format on chemotherapy for patients and caregivers

Why the Madison VA?: I absolutely loved working with our Veterans at the Madison VA during pharmacy school and I want to spend my career serving this important patient population. Everyone within the pharmacy department at the Madison VA has always been so fun and supportive of me, this place honestly feels like home. I am so honored and excited to continue my education in such a special environment!

Hobbies: Spending time with family/friends, traveling, baking, listening to podcasts, and mailing my niece (who lives in New

Jersey) very loud and obnoxious toys!

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Going to local restaurants, visiting the zoo, and thrifting.

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Sierra Weaver, PharmD



<u>Pharmacy school:</u> Purdue University College of Pharmacy <u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – Ambulatory Care

<u>Career interests</u>: Geriatrics, Home-Based Primary Care <u>Residency Project</u>: Evaluating Long-Term Outcomes of VIONE (Vital, Important, Optional, Not indicated, and Every medication has an indication) Deprescribing Initiatives in Older Veterans <u>Why the Madison VA?</u>: I chose the Madison VA because of its strong ambulatory care opportunities, commitment to providing Veterans with exceptional care, and its inclusive environment. <u>Hobbies</u>: Spending time with friends and family, reading, binging Netflix, and exploring Madison

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> Going to the farmers market, seeing live music, and visiting local shops, restaurants, and breweries <u>Contact email:</u> Sierra.Weaver1@va.gov

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<u>Pharmacy school:</u> University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy

<u>PGY-1 Training</u>: William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital – Ambulatory Care

<u>Career interests</u>: Primary Care, Diabetes, Specialty Care <u>Residency Project</u>: What is the impact of proactive population management to identify and address health disparities and increase minority Veteran access to care?

Why the Madison VA?: I have always wanted to be a part of the Madison VA; I initially decided to pursue pharmacy after shadowing a pharmacist here at the Madison VA while I was in undergrad. The preceptors and staff at the Madison VA truly have a passion for teaching and training learners. I am excited serve our nation's Veterans and continue my training at the Madison VA.

Hobbies: I enjoy taking hikes at Wisconsin state parks with my partner and golden retriever (named Cooper) and exploring different craft breweries around Wisconsin.

<u>Favorite things to do in Madison:</u> I love spending time near the two lakes that surround Madison (taking walks near the lakes or just enjoying the beautiful view!).

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