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Central Virginia VA Health Care System PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Residency Program

Program Description

Our residency is a one-year, full time, ASHP accredited program that provides two residents per year a profound experience in delivering comprehensive pharmaceutical care to the veteran population.

The purpose of the residency program is to transform the pharmacy resident from a generalist to a specialist within psychiatry. Our program will prepare the resident to successfully obtain a position as a psychiatric clinical pharmacist practitioner in either inpatient or outpatient settings or begin a career in academia.



LONGITUDINAL ROTATIONS

- Primary Care Mental Health Integration
- Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Education
- Motivational Interviewing/ MH Seminar
- Residency Research Project
- Clinical Pharmacy Staffing

FOCUSED ROTATIONS

- Inpatient Psychiatry
- Substance Use Disorders
- Mental Health Intensive Case Management
- Bipolar PsychoEducation Clinic
- Clozapine Clinic
- Drug Information & Management
- Pain Management

ELECTIVE ROTATIONS

- Academic Detailing
- Geriatrics
- Movements Disorders/ markinson's Disease
- Polytrauma/ TBI
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Pain Administration/Program Management

Qualifications

- PharmD
- Completion of PGY1 Residency OR equivalent experience
- Active pharmacist license in any U.S. state or District of Columbia
- College transcripts
- Curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation: one from current RPD and two from PGY1 preceptors
- US Citizenship



The Central Virginia VA Health Care System is a 400 bed tertiary referral medical center serving approximately 50,000 veterans annually. Our medical center is a teaching facility with an academic affiliation with Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center and the Medical College of Virginia.

PROGRESSIVE PRACTICE SETTING

- VA has a fully comprehensive electronic medical record
- Residents work under their pharmacy preceptors' scopes of practice and prescriptive authority
- Residents gain experience in the clinical and didactic teaching of pharmacy students, including optional participation in the Teaching and Learning Certificate Program offered by the VCU School of Pharmacy
- Teaching and presentations, including clinical seminars, case conferences, and journal club discussions are integrated into the program
- Resident-led topic discussions and clinical seminars provide public speaking opportunities

RESIDENT BENEFITS

- Annual stipend (\$52,616 for 2023-2024)
- Vacation time and sick leave accrue throughout the year
- Federal holidays
- Medical and life insurance

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES IN INTERPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Specific training in motivational interviewing
- Approaches to collaborative and interdisciplinary treatment of co-managed patients
- Integrated patient education & motivational groups
- Case-based teaching in multidisciplinary forum

Application Procedure

- Apply via PhORCAS by Tuesday, January 2nd, 2024
- NMS Program Code 680266
- Applications will be reviewed, and interviews will be extended to select candidates

Email our residency director for more information:

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