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James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital Pharmacy Residency Class of 2023 – 2024

PGY-2 Pharmacy Residents



Melissa Albert, PharmD

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PGY-2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Resident

Hometown: Miami, FL

Education: University of South Florida Taneja College of Pharmacy

PGY-1 Residency: James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital

Dr. Albert received her Bachelor of Science in Biology at Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers, FL and then completed her Doctor of Pharmacy at the University of South Florida Taneja College of Pharmacy. She completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at the James A. Haley VA. Her professional interests include antimicrobial stewardship program management, special populations, antimicrobial resistance and infectious diseases transitions of care. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys spending time with loved ones and pets, exploring new places, beach-life and home-improvement projects.



Robert T. Tooma, PharmD

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PGY-2 Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Resident

Hometown: Fort Walton Beach, FL

Education: Samford McWhorter School of Pharmacy

PGY-1 Residency: Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center (TVAMC)

Dr. Tooma received his Bachelor of Science in Pre-Professional Biology at the University of West Florida in Pensacola, FL and then completed his Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) and Masters of Science in Health Informatics & Analytics (MSHIA) at Samford University in Birmingham, AL. Post-graduation, Dr. Tooma completed a PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Tuscaloosa VA Medical center. Professional interests include cardiology, anticoagulation, ambulatory care, and health informatics. Outside of pharmacy, he enjoys cooking, traveling, and outdoor activities such as the beach and hiking.



Thanh Truc (Phoebe) Vo, PharmD

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PGY-2 Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Resident

Hometown: Greencastle, PA

Education: Wilkes University- Nesbitt School of Pharmacy

PGY-1 Residency: Lebanon VA Medical Center

Dr. Vo received her Doctor of Pharmacy and Public Health Concentration as well as Bachelor of Science from the Wilkes University- Nesbitt School of Pharmacy in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Post-Graduation, she completed a PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at the Lebanon VA Medical Center. Her professional interests include endocrinology, anticoagulation, women's health, and ambulatory care. Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with friends and family, trying new restaurants, traveling, and activities such as going to the beach and produce/flea markets.

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residents



Hayden C. Lovelace, PharmD

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Hometown: Germantown, TN

Education: University of Mississippi

Dr. Lovelace received her B.S. in Pharmaceutical Sciences and PharmD at the University of Mississippi. She is originally from Germantown, TN outside of Memphis. She had a rotation at a VA in Mississippi and decided she wanted to pursue a VA residency. She plans on having a long career within the VA system. Her professional interests include internal medicine, ambulatory care practice settings and loves the geriatric population. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys traveling, trying new restaurants, shopping, exercising (especially Pilates) and cooking.



Arelis T. Nunez, PharmD

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Hometown: Lajas, Puerto Rico

Education: Temple University School of Pharmacy

Dr. Nunez grew up in Lajas, a small town in the southwest of Puerto Rico. She received her B.S. in Chemistry from the University of Puerto Rico at Mayaguez then moved to south New Jersey to complete her PharmD at Temple University School of Pharmacy in Philadelphia, PA. Her professional interests include ambulatory care, endocrinology, cardiology, geriatrics, and pain management. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys spending time with family and friends, outdoor activities such as going to the beach, rivers, amusement parks, trying new restaurants and traveling.



Christian M. Negrón-Collado, PharmD

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Hometown: San German, Puerto Rico

Education: Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy

Dr. Negrón-Collado was born and raised in Puerto Rico, where he completed his undergraduate studies in biomedical sciences before graduating with his PharmD from Samford University in McWhorter School of Pharmacy. His professional interests include ambulatory care, anticoagulation and pain management. Outside of pharmacy, he enjoys outdoor activities such as hiking, mountain biking, and traveling. He plans to keep an open mind and explore potential PGY-2 options such as pain/palliative care or ambulatory care after this residency year.



Amanda K. Wagler, PharmD

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Hometown: Sarasota, FL

Education: University of South Florida Taneja College of Pharmacy

Dr. Wagler was born and raised in Sarasota, FL and attended Florida Southern College in Lakeland, FL. She received her Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from the University of South Florida Taneja College of Pharmacy. Her professional interests include infectious disease, critical care, teaching, and precepting. Outside of pharmacy, Amanda enjoys traveling with friends and family, going to Disney and Universal, trying new restaurants and cooking new recipes.