2023-2024 Orlando VA Pharmacy PGY-1 Residents



Paola Acevedo Lorenzo, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Acevedo was born and raised in Puerto Rico. In 2019, she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus. She then continued her education at the University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus, where she earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2023.

Her current professional interests include internal medicine, infectious diseases, and ambulatory care. Upon completion of her PGY-1 residency, she aspires to pursue a clinical pharmacist position in one of her areas of interests and continue her service within the Department of Veterans Affairs, where she can implement her clinical knowledge and collaborate with other healthcare providers. She also plans to obtain board certification in pharmacotherapy and become a mentor and preceptor for future healthcare professionals.

In her free time, Paola enjoys spending time with her family and friends, exercising, watching romantic movies, and exploring new places. A fun fact about Dr. Acevedo is that she is a black belt in judo. She is grateful for the opportunity to continue her clinical pharmacy training while serving the nation's Veterans, at the Orlando VA Healthcare System.



Rachel Bohorquez, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Bohorquez was born and raised in Rockledge, Florida. She completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Florida in 2018 where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a minor in Spanish. She earned her Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Florida College of Pharmacy in 2023. Dr. Bohorquez's current professional interests include internal medicine, ambulatory care, and pharmacy administration. Upon completion of her PGY-1 residency, she plans to obtain board certification in pharmacotherapy and a teaching certificate through the University of Florida College of Pharmacy. She also hopes to pursue a clinical pharmacist position in one of her areas of interests and continue her service within the Department of Veterans Affairs. Outside of pharmacy, Rachel enjoys spending time with her family and friends, cooking, discovering new restaurants, drinking boba tea, and traveling. Dr. Bohorquez is grateful for the opportunity to serve our nation's Veterans at the Orlando VA Healthcare System and looks forward to furthering her education and clinical pharmacy training through residency.



Joshua Etkins, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Etkins was born and raised in Orlando, FL. He graduated with his bachelor's degree in biomedical sciences from the University of South Florida in 2019. He then continued his education at the University of South Florida College of Pharmacy to obtain his Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2023. His current professional interests include psychiatry, neurology, and ambulatory care. Upon completion of his PGY-1 residency, he plans to pursue a PGY-2 in psychiatry.

In his free time, Josh enjoys spending time with friends, going to concerts, playing volleyball, and playing games with friends. Josh is grateful for the opportunity to complete his residency at the Orlando VA and getting to serve our nation's veterans.



Antoinette Hutchinson, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Hutchinson was born in New York and raised in Atlanta Georgia. She completed two years of undergrad at Kennesaw University, then transferred to Mercer University College of Pharmacy and received a Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Science, then graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2023. Dr. Hutchinson decided to complete her PGY-1 at the Orlando VA Healthcare System due to their abundance of ambulatory care opportunities focusing on cardiology, endocrinology, and HIV. Upon completion of residency, she plans to obtain board certification in pharmacotherapy, and continue her career in an outpatient clinic serving an underserved population. Additionally, she hopes to educate future pharmacist.

In her free time Antoinette enjoys reading, watching movies, traveling, as well as eating out and discovering new foods. She is excited for this opportunity to be a resident at the Orlando VA Healthcare System and looks forward to further her education serving our nation's Veterans.



Matthew Maffei, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Maffei was born and raised in Merritt Island, Florida- home of the Kennedy Space Center. He completed 2 years of pre-pharmacy course work at Eastern Florida State College. He then went on to earn his Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Florida College of Pharmacy in 2023. During his advanced pharmacy practice experiences, Dr. Maffei had the incredible opportunity to complete four rotations at the Orlando VA Medical Center in Lake Nona. He kept the service of his father and grandfathers in mind as he provided passionate care to our Veterans and ultimately found his calling to serve those who served our great nation. His experience as a pharmacy student led him to pursue residency within the Orlando VA Healthcare System. Dr. Maffei's current professional interests include anticoagulation, ambulatory care, and emergency medicine. Upon completion of his PGY-1 residency, he plans to pursue a career as a clinical pharmacist practitioner within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Outside of pharmacy, Matt enjoys spending time with his friends and family, hanging out at the beach, golfing, and video games. Matt is honored to have been chosen to be a resident at the Orlando VA Healthcare System and is excited to advance his education while serving our nation's Veterans.



Michaela Young, Pharm.D. PGY-1 Pharmacy Resident

Dr. Young was born in Washington state and raised in both Rhode Island and Connecticut. Her pharmacy career started when she enlisted in the Rhode Island Air National Guard as a pharmacy technician in 2015. Dr. Young went on to earn her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from the University of Rhode Island in 2023. Her current professional interests include Women's Health and Infectious Diseases. Upon completion of her PGY-1 residency, Dr. Young plans to stay within the VA Healthcare System to continue serving Veterans in need.

In her free time, Michaela enjoys traveling to new places, baking cake pops, spending time with family and friends, and coming home to her two cats at the end of a long day. She is excited to start off her pharmacy career serving those that have served before her.