

## Get to Know Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

- ⇒ 220 bed institution
- ⇒ 4 community-based outpatient clinics
- ⇒ Teaching hospital providing:
  - General and specialty interdisciplinary care
  - Educational experiences for healthcare trainees
  - Robust research opportunities
- ⇒ Medical center providing comprehensive care in the areas of:
  - Medicine
  - Endocrinology
  - Psychiatry
  - Pulmonology
  - Neurology
  - Oncology
  - Geriatrics
  - Cardiology
- ⇒ Active affiliations with:
  - Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
  - University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine and Pharmacy

The Jesse Brown VA Medical Center PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program targets core areas of pharmacy practice in both ambulatory care and inpatient settings where an integrated team approach to patient care is fostered. The program accommodates for individual experience and specific areas of interest. The resident will gain experience in quality assurance and medication use evaluation activities, conduct a research project to present at the Illinois Pharmacy Resident Conference (ILPRC) and participate in interdisciplinary committees. Residents will also have opportunities to precept PharmD candidates utilizing a layered learning model.

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## Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

**Post Graduate Year  
One (PGY1)  
Pharmacy Practice  
Residency**



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## PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

The purpose of our PGY1 pharmacy residency program is to build on the foundations of the Doctor of Pharmacy degree to develop well-rounded, independent clinical pharmacists and advance the practice of pharmacy. Following our residency, residents will be eligible for board certification, prepared for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency or ready to enter the workforce.

### Description:

Residency Type	PGY1
Duration	12 months
Number of Positions	6
Application Deadline	December 29th
Starting Date	July 1st
Stipend (estimated)	\$52,000+
Interview Required	Yes
Interview Notification	By February 15th
Time Off	13 vacation 13 sick days 11 holidays
ASHP Code	185513

### Benefits Offered:

- Medical/Dental/Eye Insurance
- Parking and Public Transportation Pass

### Requirements (to submit by **Dec. 29th**):

- Pharm.D. degree from an ACPE accredited College of Pharmacy
- Eligibility for licensure
- U.S. Citizenship
- Letter of intent
- Three letters of recommendation primarily from clinical clerkship preceptors or faculty
- Official college transcripts
- Interview

## Clinical Rotations

### Required Rotations

- **Orientation** (1 month)
- **Ambulatory Care** (2 months)  
*includes the following clinics: general medicine, anticoagulation, and electives clinics (see below)*
- **Practice Management** (1 month)
- **Outpatient Staffing** (1 month)
- **Internal Medicine Rounding** (1 month)
- **Inpatient Staffing—Longitudinal** (every 4th weekend and one 4 hour weekday shift\*)

\*Aug-Nov: one 4 hour weekday shift once a week  
Jan-June: one 4 hour weekday shift every other week  
Shift will be from 4:30pm—8:30pm

### Elective Rotations (5 total\*\*, 1 month each)

\*\*max of 2 non direct patient care rotations

- **Ambulatory Care** (*in addition to the 2 months*)
- **Discharge/Transition of Care**
- **Emergency Department**
- **Home Infusion (Infectious Disease)**
- **Infectious Disease Consult Service**
- **Inpatient Anticoagulation Service**
- **Inpatient Medicine Rounding**
- **Intensive Care Unit**
- **Oncology**
- **Pharmacoeconomics\*\***
- **Pharmacy Informatics\*\***
- **Psychiatry—Inpatient**
- **Psychiatry—Outpatient**

### Ambulatory Care Electives:

- Dialysis
- Endocrinology
- Geriatrics
- Pain
- Neurology
- Women's Health
- Heart Failure
- Gastroenterology
- Home-Based Primary Care
- Pulmonary
- Smoking Cessation
- Substance Use Disorder

## Required Activities

**Research:** Residents will work on an approved research project of their choice throughout the year, resulting in a completed written manuscript that is suitable for publication.

**Seminar:** Residents will develop a seminar (with potential to be a CPE) to present to pharmacy staff.

### Medication Use Evaluation (MUE):

Residents will conduct an evaluation on a medication, therapeutic class, disease state or condition to assess current practices and identify areas of improvement to enhance patient care and outcomes.

**Adverse Drug Report (ADR):** Residents will analyze reported adverse drug events to determine if any trends exist and to identify any adverse events that have not been previously reported in literature.

**Newsletter:** Residents will contribute to and assemble an edition of the P&T Newsletter during the practice management month. The Newsletter is shared with all JBVAMC medical staff to provide education and updates on a variety of topics.

**Journal Club:** Residents will complete at least one journal club presentation that provides a detailed assessment of an article and compare outcomes to local pharmacy practice.

**Topic Discussion:** Residents will be required to present at least one formal topic discussion.

**Protocol/Monograph/Policy:** Residents will assist in the creation of documents used at the medical center to outline new practices, guidelines, and other related processes.

**Teaching Certificate:** Residents will have the opportunity to participate in a teaching certificate program in collaboration with the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy. Hands-on proctor participation is strongly encouraged if opportunity is available.