



**VA CENTRAL IOWA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM**



# **PGY1 PHARMACY RESIDENCY PROGRAM**

**VA**



**U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs**

Midwest Health  
Care Network

Central Iowa  
Health Care System

**3600 30th Street | Des Moines, IA | 50310**



## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This program will offer the resident opportunities to practice in diverse patient care settings across the continuum of care. The resident will gain extensive experience in the ambulatory care setting, serving in a mid-level provider role. The resident will be an active participant in all realms of pharmacy practice including leadership and management activities, clinical services and traditional pharmacist roles. The resident will leave the program with confidence to practice in multiple patient care settings as a clinical pharmacist.



## CORE ROTATIONS

- o Ambulatory Care
- o Anticoagulation
- o Formulary Management
  - o Geriatrics
  - o Acute Care
- o Practice Management
- o Leadership and Professional Development
  - o Staffing
- o Pharmacy Practice Related Project

## ELECTIVE ROTATIONS (3)

- o Oncology
- o Administration
- o Outpatient Specialty Care
- o Outpatient Mental Health
- o Pain Management & Opioid Use Disorder
- o Home Based Primary Care
- o Academic Detailing
- o Informatics and Medication Safety
- o Transitional Care
- o More concentrated elective in one of the core rotations above

Electives are tailored to the resident's needs and interests.



### **By the Numbers: Residency Program**

- 2 PGY1 residents per year
- 2025-26 = 14th year
- 7 (29%) of 24 former residents on staff and 17 (71%) of 24 former residents remained within the VA network
- 76% of pharmacists on staff are board certified and/or residency trained

### **By the Numbers: Facility**

o All levels of care:

- 55 acute care beds including internal medicine, acute psychiatry and surgery
- 82 long term care beds
- 60 domiciliary beds
- 5 community based outpatient clinics (CBOCs)
- Multiple ambulatory specialty care services including on site infusion clinic

### **Requirements:**

- Pharmacy Degree from ACPE Accredited School of Pharmacy
- Eligible for Pharmacy Licensure in the U.S. or District of Columbia
- U.S. Citizenship

### **Application Materials:**

- Apply through Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS)
- Academic Transcripts
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of intent outlining how our program would support your practice interests and career goals
- Three (3) completed PhORCAS reference forms

### **Application Deadline:**

Thursday, January 2, 2025

This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.



# BENEFITS OVERVIEW

**Residents have benefits available to them through Veteran's Affairs including:**



Stipend (\$48,254)



13 days Annual Leave



13 days Sick Leave



9 Federal Holidays off



Approved leave for travel to ASHP Midyear and a regional residency conference



Federal Employees' Health Benefits (FEHB) and supplemental Dental and Vision Insurance (FEDVIP)



## CONTACT INFORMATION

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