

The VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System (ECHCS), headquartered outside Denver in Aurora, Colorado, serves veterans in eastern Colorado and parts of Kansas. The VA ECHCS provides care for over 101,000 patients annually. We are affiliated with the University of Colorado and Regis University. A wide range of psychiatric services are provided, including inpatient care, outpatient care, a substance use disorders clinic, a residential PTSD program, and a domiciliary for homeless veterans. Pharmacists completing this residency will be competent, confident, and compassionate providers of psychiatric pharmaceutical care. They will be prepared to accept positions as clinical pharmacists for inpatient or outpatient psychiatry, adjunct clinical faculty at a college of pharmacy, or as consultants. VA ECHCS includes a level 1a facility that opened August 2018. The new Rocky Mountain Regional (RMR) VA Medical Center provides full range of state-of-the-art patient care services. There are also many community-based outpatient clinics (CBOCs) through the state that we serve.



APPLICATION INFORMATION

Must be a United States citizen and have graduated from an American Council on Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) accredited college or school of pharmacy. Interviews will be scheduled based upon evaluation of the application. All applications must be submitted electronically using PHORCAS by **January 3rd, 2025**. Requirements include:

- Curriculum vitae
- Official pharmacy transcript
- Letter of Intent
- Three references
- Potential applicants are **strongly encouraged** to contact the RPD before applying. We appreciate speaking directly with anyone who may be interested in our residency program!

CONTACT INFORMATION

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EASTERN COLORADO HEALTHCARE SYSTEM | AURORA, COLORADO

REQUIRED EXPERIENCES

- Inpatient Psychiatry
- Outpatient Psychiatry
- Telepsychiatry
- Substance Use Disorders
- PTSD Residential Treatment Program
- Psychiatric Administration and Research

ELECTIVE ROTATIONS

- Academia
- Homeless Veteran Domiciliary
- TBI / Spinal Cord Injury
- ADHD Clinic
- Additional elective experiences may be developed with consideration of resident interest/preceptor availability

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & EXPERIENCES

- Professional Meetings (one guaranteed paid)
- Precepting opportunities
- Continuing Education Presentation
- Didactics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine - Psychiatry Dept.
- Co-training with many residents and fellows from other disciplines
- Learn from over 14 board certified psychiatric pharmacists with a scope of practice

BENEFITS

- Health/Life Insurance
- Annual Leave: 13 days (accrued)
- Sick Leave: 13 days (accrued)
- Federal Holidays: 11 days

PROGRAM INFORMATION

- 2 MH positions available
- ASHP accredited since 2013
- Total of 9 pharmacy residents between the PGY1 and PGY2 programs