About Boise, Idaho

Boise, the "City of Trees", is the capital and largest metropolitan area in Idaho. Over 700,000 people live in the Treasure Valley.

The state of Idaho is known worldwide for its majestic mountain ranges, rivers and lakes, forests, and outdoor recreational experiences. Boise also allows for many different activities for a diverse community to enjoy such as: downtown life (5 minute drive or 20 minute walk from the Boise VA), breweries, wineries, smaller town atmosphere (North End) and much more! Boise is transected by the Boise River and a greenbelt walking/biking path, accessible throughout the city. Bogus Basin Ski Resort is a short drive away and miles of biking/hiking trails are located within minutes of the hospital grounds. Sporting events include BSU Bronco athletics, Idaho Steelheads hockey, and Boise Hawks baseball. Performance and Fine Arts venues include Idaho Shakespeare Festival, The Boise Contemporary Theater, The Boise Philharmonic, The Boise Art Museum, and Ballet Idaho.

Pay & Benefits

Time off: 11 paid holidays, 13 days of annual leave, 13 days of sick leave

Health insurance including dental/vision

Government furnished equipment: laptop, 2 computer monitors, docking station, keyboard, mouse, desktop telephone, software needed to complete rotations

Estimated stipend: $51,974

Conferences

Local residency conference

ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting

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ASHP Program Code: Available Dec 2024
NMS Code: Available Dec 2024

VA Pharmacy Residency Website:

https://www.pbm.va.gov/education/vapharmacyresidencyprogram.asp

Boise VA Medical Center

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

PGY2 Pharmacy Informatics Residency Program

About The Program

The Boise VA offers a PGY2 Pharmacy Informatics residency program in pre-candidate status by the American Society of Health System Pharmacists. There is one PGY2 Pharmacy Informatics Resident position available each year.

2023-2024 Boise PGY2 Pharmacy Residents

Program Purpose

PGY2 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency training to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives for advanced practice areas. Residents who successfully complete PGY2 residency programs are prepared for advanced patient care or other specialized positions, and board certification in the advanced practice area.

Residency Learning Opportunities

Our program mission is to graduate residents proficient in pharmacy informatics for both Veterans Health Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VistA) and the Federal Electronic Health Record (Oracle Health), enhancing their ability to contribute to patient care and safety through innovative approaches and evidence-based practices.

Required Longitudinal Learning Experiences

- Academic Detailing
- Clinical Decision Support
- Informatics Fundamentals
- Informatics Research
- Informatics Technology & Automation
- Leadership & Practice Management
- Pharmacy Data Management
- Pharmacy Operations & Supply Management
- Project Management & Quality Improvement

Required Learning Experience (4 weeks)

- Informatics in Population Health

Available Elective Experiences (4 weeks)

- Business Intelligence & Data Automation
- Medication Safety

Additional Opportunities

- Teaching Certificate offered

2023-2024 Boise PGY2 Pharmacy Residents

Application Requirements

- Doctor of Pharmacy Degree from ACPE-Accredited School of Pharmacy
- Completion of accredited PGY1 residency
- Pharmacy Licensure in the U.S. or District of Columbia
- U.S. Citizen
- Academic Transcripts
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of intent
- Two letters of recommendation
- Participation in the ASHP Resident Match Program

Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of physical exam, including negative drug test. Applicants must meet requirements for federal employment.

Application via PhORCAS due: January 2, 2025 11:59pm EST

Sample Rotation Schedule

July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Orientation											
	Pharmacy Operations & Supply Management										
	Informatics Fundamentals										
	Leadership & Practice Management										
		Clinical Decision Support									
		Informatics Technology & Automation									
		Pharmacy Data Management									
			Project Management & Quality Improvement								
					Academic Detailing						
						Informatics Research					
			Informatics in Population Health				Business Intelligence & Data Automation (elective)				Medication Safety (elective)