



## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications will be accepted through PhORACS™ (Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service) **ONLY**. Application must include: Letter of intent specific to the VAMHCS, three letters of recommendation, curriculum vitae, and pharmacy school transcripts.

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The VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) is a multi-facility network of medical centers and clinics with a total of 608 operating beds and six outpatient clinics serving over 54,000 patients throughout the state of Maryland. The Medical Center in Baltimore serves as the main campus and includes acute care, surgical services, psychiatry, oncology, ambulatory care, long-term care and extensive teaching and research. The Pharmacy department includes close to 100 pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, and provides 24/7 services in Baltimore.

Our healthcare system serves the healthcare needs of America's veterans in Maryland by providing primary care, specialized care, and related medical and social support sources.



# PGY-1 PHARMACY RESIDENCY PROGRAM

## A VA RESIDENCY

The VA Maryland Health Care System (VAMHCS) is seeking TWO highly motivated Postgraduate Year 1 (PGY1) Residency Program candidates. This 12-month ASHP-accredited program is designed to build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions, eligible for board certification, and eligible for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training. This residency places emphasis on clinical and distributive pharmacy services, using a comprehensive, hands-on, clinically focused approach. Through flexibility and opportunity, this program fosters a unique residency experience, serving a challenging and rewarding veteran population.

## FLEXIBILITY

The VAMHCS PGY1 program provides exceptional opportunity for Residents to progressively develop their clinical skills. The program's focus is providing direct patient care and offers learning experiences in diverse practice areas including Acute Care, Ambulatory Care, and Long-term Care. Core rotations for this program include: Internal Medicine, Critical Care, Cardiology, Infectious Disease, Administration/Practice Management, Hospital Pharmacy, Long-term care/Geriatrics and Ambulatory Care. A variety of elective rotations are also available. The VAMHCS is a dynamic and progressive health care system with 3 medical centers (Baltimore, Loch Raven and Perry Point) and Residents will experience rotations throughout these sites in the Baltimore-metro area.



## OPPORTUNITY

### Teaching

The Postgraduate Year 1 (PGY1) Residency Program in collaboration with the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy offers numerous teaching experiences including: leading small group discussions, conducting practice lab sessions and precepting Doctor of Pharmacy students. In addition, there is an optional Teaching Certificate Program offered by the School of Pharmacy.

### Presentations

- Journal Club (2), Case Presentations, In-service(s)
- Formal Pharmacotherapy Presentation (CE) in conjunction with other participating Baltimore-area residency programs
- Performance Improvement/Research Project with presentation of results at the Eastern States Residency Conference (with manuscript of publishable quality)



## UNIQUE

### Evaluation

Following the ASHP Accreditation Standard for Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency, this program includes the required ASHP Competency Areas, Goals, and Objectives. An individualized Residency Development Plan (RDP) for each resident will be formulated upon entry into the program to tailor the year to meet the personal and professional goals. Updates and changes will be addressed quarterly by the Residency Program Director. Resident performance on each learning experience will be documented electronically in PharmAcademic™.

### Benefits

- • \$46,555 yearly stipend with benefits
- • Additional compensation for required monthly staffing
- • 10 paid federal holidays
- • 13 accrued vacation and 13 sick days

### Qualifications

- • Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an American Council of Pharmaceutical Education (ACPE) accredited school of pharmacy
- • United States citizenship
- • Pharmacy licensure in any US state within 90 days of the start of the program
- • National Matching Service (NMS) registration