

## General Information

- ◆ Number of positions: One
- ◆ Resident salary: TBD
- ◆ Benefits
  - ◇ Affordable medical, dental and life insurance as a VA Employee
  - ◇ 13 days of paid annual leave
  - ◇ 13 days of paid sick leave
  - ◇ Authorized absence for ASHP Midyear and PainWeek National Conference

## Application Requirements

- ◆ United States citizenship is required for federal employment
- ◆ Doctor of Pharmacy or Bachelor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE accredited school of pharmacy
- ◆ Submission through PhORCAS by December 31st
- ◆ On-site interview required
- ◆ Eligible for licensure in any state

## Application Materials

- ◆ Curriculum Vitae
- ◆ Letter of intent
- ◆ Three (3) letters of recommendation through PhORCAS
- ◆ VA Form OF 306
- ◆ Official pharmacy school academic transcript

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# PGY2 Pharmacy Palliative Care & Pain Management

## Residency Program



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## About CMCVAMC

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Corporal Michael J. Crescenz Veterans Affairs Medical Center (CMCVAMC) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is a 360-bed tertiary care hospital affiliated with the University of Pennsylvania, University of the Sciences in Philadelphia, Jefferson College of Pharmacy, and Temple University School of Pharmacy. The CMCVAMC, the second largest VA Medical Center in Pennsylvania, is an acute referral center for the tri-state area and offers a wide range of advanced high-tech treatments for the needs of the veterans.

## Program Description & Purpose

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The Corporal Michael J. Crescenz VA Medical Center PGY2 Pharmacy Residency in Palliative Care and Pain Management is a twelve-month post PGY1 pharmacy residency program. The program is designed to produce well-rounded, independent professionals through a variety of clinical, research, and administrative experiences, who ultimately provide safe, effective, and clinically

appropriate pharmaceutical care. The PGY2 program focuses on the development of specialized pain management skills in a variety of settings including specialty pain, palliative care, primary care, and mental health. Upon completion, the resident will be equipped with knowledge, skills, and abilities commensurate to a specialized clinical pharmacy specialist in the areas of palliative care and pain management.

PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.

## Learning Experiences

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### Required:

- Ambulatory Pain Management
- Pain Patient Aligned Care Team (Pain-PACT)
- Palliative Care
- Outpatient Psychiatry
- Inpatient Psychiatry
- Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program

### Electives:

- Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT)
- PACT-Severe Mental Illness (SMI)
- Internal Medicine
- Neurology