# **South Texas Veterans Health Care System**

### **PGY2 Pain Management & Palliative Care Pharmacy Residency**

#### **Program**

This comprehensive post-doctoral clinical pharmacy training program is designed to develop autonomous pain management and palliative care clinical pharmacy specialists by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge into the provision of advanced patient care. Residents who successfully complete this program are prepared for board certification, advanced practice settings, and academic or other specialized careers. Intended outcomes of the program include: function as an integral member of the interdisciplinary treatment team; provide comprehensive medication management to complex palliative care and pain patients in a variety of care settings; serve as an educator for patients, caregivers, and other health care providers and trainees; exhibit professional leadership and management skills; display self-motivation for professional and personal growth as an independent practitioner; and demonstrate the ability to proactively identify and meet opportunities available in the provision of pharmaceutical care to palliative care patients, and patients with acute and chronic pain (malignant and non-malignant).

#### **Quick Facts About STVHCS**

- Facilities include Audie L. Murphy Memorial Veterans Hospital, Kerrville VA Medical Center, and numerous community-based clinics
- ◆ Serves more than 114,000 Veterans throughout San Antonio and the surrounding region
- Provides primary, specialty, surgical, rehabilitative, acute, and long-term care services
- Over 100 Clinical Pharmacy Specialists in a variety of clinical areas
- Over 4,000 health professional trainees annually across multiple disciplines including PGY1 (3) and PGY2 (10) pharmacy residents











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#### **Learning Experiences**

- ◆ Core (10 blocks, 4 weeks each)
  - ♦ Palliative Care Consult Service I & II
  - ⋄ Community Living Center—Hospice
  - Outpatient Palliative Care
  - ⋄ Outpatient Chronic Pain Management I & II
  - ♦ Outpatient Psychiatry
  - Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder
  - ♦ Whole Health
  - ♦ Spinal Cord Injury
- ◆ Longitudinal Clinic (one afternoon per week)
  - Primary Care Complex Pain Clinic

#### **Benefits**

- Competitive stipend and health benefits
- Paid holidays, vacation and sick leave
- Free parking
- No staffing requirement
- Support for professional meeting attendance

#### Requirements

- Research or quality improvement project
- Medication use evaluation
- VA pharmacy grand rounds
- UT pharmacotherapy seminar
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- Interdisciplinary geriatric and palliative care didactics
- Drug information responses
- ◆ Pharmacy newsletter and in-service
- ◆ Committee participation
- ◆ VA adverse drug event reporting

Submit your application through PHORCAS by the deadline:

January 3, 2025

- ◆ Electives (3 blocks, 4 weeks each)
  - ⋄ Oncology
  - ♦ Home Based Primary Care
  - ♦ Surgical Intensive Care Service
  - Pain Management/Opioid Safety/PDMP (PMOP)
  - ⋄ Community Living Center—Rehabilitation
  - Other elective learning experiences may be developed based on resident interest and preceptor availability



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#### **Qualifications**

- U.S. citizenship and pharmacist literature
- PharmD from ACPE-accredited college
- Successful completion of an ASHP-accredited

## **Contact Information**

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