

VA Puget Sound Health Care System

PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Administration and Leadership Residency (HSPAL)

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The VA Puget Sound Health Care System (VAPSHCS) is a 421-bed acute care center that provides tertiary care for veterans in Western Washington. VAPSHCS consists of two main medical facilities and 7 community-based outpatient clinics. Services are also provided to veterans referred from Alaska, Eastern Washington, & Northern Idaho. The VA is affiliated with the University of Washington and has many allied health training programs (medicine, pharmacy, nursing, etc.). Pharmacy services include inpatient medicine, long-term care, critical care, emergency medicine, surgery, primary care, substance abuse, pain, mental health, endocrinology, oncology, spinal cord injury, and bone marrow transplant. VAPSHCS has one of the largest research programs in the VA.



Glacier Peak Wilderness



Seattle Waterfront

The PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Administration and Leadership (HSPAL) resident participates in various block and longitudinal rotations with members of pharmacy leadership. Additional learning activities include inpatient pharmacy weekend staffing (*optional*; paid as hourly rate under dual appointment), longitudinal residency project, P&T Committee facilitator, precepting at least one PGY1 pharmacy resident project or MUE, involvement in facility- and service line-wide clinical and operational initiatives, accreditation, and regulatory compliance.

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Required block rotations (6-7 weeks unless specified otherwise):

- Orientation (2 weeks)
- Outpatient Operations Management
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- Pharmacoeconomics and Informatics
- Inpatient Clinical Management
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- Medication Safety
- Budget & Procurement

Required longitudinal rotations (vary in length):

- Precept PGY1 Resident MUE (3 months)
- Formulary Program Management & REMS (12 months)
- Quality Assurance and Regulatory Compliance (12 months)
- Longitudinal Residency Project (12 months)

Benefits:

- Competitive resident stipend
- Dual appointment salary for weekend staffing (optional)
- Healthcare benefits
- 13 accrued vacation days
- 13 accrued sick leave days
- 11 federal holidays
- Office space
- Free on-site parking & nearby transit access

Application requirements:

Applications are accepted through the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS) system. Requirements:

- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Three letters of recommendation
 - One must be from PGY1 residency program director
 - Two must be from the PGY1 residency site (such as preceptors or mentors)

Applications are due 1/13/2025 (for regular recruitment cycle).

Please email with questions.

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