VA NORTHERN CALIFORNIA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

POST-GRADUATE YEAR ONE (PGY1)

Pharmacy Residency





RESIDENCY OVERVIEW

The PGY1 pharmacy residency offers a flexible program with concentrated clinical, teaching, and administrative experiences. Preceptors are well-experienced and offer each resident individualized training, tailored to the specific needs of each resident.

While offering a well-rounded PGY1 experience, the VA Northern California specifically offers strong experiences in ambulatory care. Other longitudinal responsibilities include inpatient operations staffing on a rotational basis and completion of a quality improvement or research project, which is presented at the Western States Conference for Pharmacy Residents, Fellows and Preceptors.

SACRAMENTO VA MEDICAL CENTER

FOUR RESIDENTS

APPLICATION DUE: JANUARY 3RD, 2027

QUESTIONS?

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ROTATIONS OFFERED

REQUIRED

- Orientation – 3 weeks
- Acute Care/Internal Medicine – 6 weeks
- Ambulatory Care – 6 weeks
- Outpatient Pharmacy Operations – 6 weeks
- Administration – 5 weeks

BENEFITS

- Estimated Stipend: $55,077
- 11 paid federal holidays off
- 13 vacation days, 13 sick days
- Health insurance
- Admin/project days – monthly
- Attendance at CSHP Seminar, ASHP Midyear, Western States Conference – pending funding
- Licensure from any state

ELECTIVES – 6 WEEKS EACH

- Ambulatory Care II
- Acute Care/Internal Medicine II
- Anticoagulation Clinic
- Applied Pharmacoeconomics & Formulary Management
- Cardiology
- Neurology
- Emergency Department
- Home-Based Primary Care
- Infectious Diseases/Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Inpatient Pharmacy Operations
- Mental Health
- Pain Management
- Oncology
- Transitions of Care
- Pulmonology
- Repeat/extension of any required experience(s)

LONGITUDINAL PROJECTS/EXPERIENCES

- Inpatient Staffing – once every 4 weeks with respective comp day on following Monday
- Research/Quality Improvement – to be presented at Western States Conference or similar meeting
- Medication Use Evaluation (MUE)
- Chief Resident
- Teaching Certificate – optional

SUBMITTED MATERIALS MUST INCLUDE:

- Official transcripts sent directly to PhORCAS from your school
- Personal Statement/Letter of Intent (LOI) - addressing: why you are interested in our program, your short and long-term goals & a significant challenge that you've encountered in your academic, personal or professional career to date that you've worked to overcome
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Three (3) letters of recommendation using standardized reference template in PhORCAS
- VA Form #10-2850D
- **Note**: Virtual interviews to be held in February 2027