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Pharmacy Residency Information

- ASHP accredited
- Twelve-month residency with an expanded scope of practice, which includes prescriptive authority
- Hours: Monday–Friday; No Holidays
- Number of positions:
Two PGY1
- Estimated Stipend:
PGY1: \$41,098
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree required
- Licensure may be through any U.S. State Board of Pharmacy
- Onsite interview required
- Starting date: July 1
- Medical and Life insurance available
- 10 Federal holidays
- 13 annual leave & 13 sick days (accrued)
- Administrative leave for educational opportunities available
- Staffing component of four days per month

APPLICATION MATERIALS

- Completed application
- College transcripts
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letters of recommendations
 - 1 (personal)
 - 3 (professional)

Applications must be received by the first Friday in January.

Please mail to the address below and attn: Raela Williford, PharmD.



**For further information or questions,
please feel free to contact:**

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PHARMACY RESIDENCY PROGRAM Post-Graduate Year—1



TUSCALOOSA VA

MEDICAL CENTER

The Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center (TVAMC) is located on a beautiful campus of 125 acres in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The Medical Center provides primary care, long-term health care, and mental health care services to eligible veterans. The Outpatient Services in Primary Care provides services to thousands of patients each year. Clinical Pharmacists are extensively involved in the Primary Care Clinics to help manage anticoagulation, diabetes mellitus, hyperlipidemia, hypertension, and other disease states. Clinical Pharmacists are also involved in inpatient and outpatient mental health, long term care, and home based primary care.

RESIDENCY BACKGROUND

- Sponsored by TVAMC
- Established & ASHP accredited in 1997
- Previous residents have secured clinical pharmacy positions in state, private, and federal institutions.
- In 2007, the PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency derived from a Primary Care Specialty Residency. TVAMC also has a PGY2 in Psychiatry.

RESIDENCY PURPOSE

Pharmacists completing this residency will:

- Be competent and confident practitioners of pharmaceutical care in the areas of primary care, mental health, and long-term care.
- Be accountable for enhancing drug therapy outcomes and improving medication safety as member of the health care team.
- Exercise skill in educating health care professionals, patients, and the community on drug related topics
- Develop a professional practice encompassing TVAMC's core values of providing excellence in healthcare, research, technology, and education.
- Display a commitment to the profession of pharmacy, desire for continued professional growth and exercise leadership to achieve departmental goals.
- Possess skills which will enable them to pursue a variety of career interests requiring pharmacological expertise.



Residency Requirements:

- Two inservice presentations to the medical and pharmacy staff
- SERC Presentation
- ASHP Mid-year Poster Presentation
- Two Community Service projects
- An MUE or CFU
- Topic discussions/journal club
- Participation in two Pharmacy Newsletters
- Management Project

LEARNING EXPERIENCES

Required Rotations for PGY1:

- Anticoagulation Clinic
- Lipid Clinic
- Pharmacotherapy Clinic
- Geriatric Extended Care (GEC) (longitudinal)
- Home Based Patient Care (HBPC) (longitudinal)
- Inpatient psychiatry
- Outpatient & Inpatient Pharmacy staffing
- Pharmacy Administration experience
- Drug Information (longitudinal)
- Research rotation

Potential Electives:

- Mental health outpatient clinics
- In depth GEC rotation
- In depth HBPC rotation
- Pedagogy rotation at Samford Univ.
- Inpatient medicine on psych unit
- Medication safety rotation