

# Application Requirements

## QUALIFICATIONS

- Doctor of Pharmacy from an accredited College of Pharmacy or a Bachelor of Pharmacy with equivalent clinical experience
- Licensure/eligibility for licensure in the U.S.
- U.S. Citizen

## APPLICATION PROCESS (PhORCAS Submission)

Due: **January 4, 2013**

- Application
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Professional transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation including Recommendation Request form
- Self-reflection questions

On-site interviews are required for selected candidates and will be scheduled after review of the application materials. Candidates will be notified of a decision to interview no later than February 15.

## STIPEND | BENEFITS

The Veterans Health Administration sets annual residency stipends (currently \$42,350) and benefits for all VA residency programs. Each resident is offered 13 days each of vacation and sick leave/family care, 10 paid federal holidays, and a health care benefits package. Locally, residents are also given educational leave with pay and travel support to attend and present at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and SERC.



Clinical Staff: Top (L to R) Jamie Brown, Susan Francis, Jennifer Whittington, Brian Chatel, Mary Parker, Melissa Durkee, Debra Kemp, Cindy Johnston, Catherine Woodard, Dee Melnyk, Jennifer Taylor, Bill Bryan; Bottom (L to R) Janine Kosmoski, Radhika Kothapalli, Susan Bullard, Amy Clarke, Jenny Legge

(Not Pictured: Emily Heritage, Mary Townsend, Jason Moss, Carrie Thomas, Stephanie Hollowell, Lindsay Garris, Jennie Hewitt, Leslie Kriger, Amy Willets, Lauren Debolt)



Pharmacy Residents: PGY1 Class: Top (L to R) Michael Thiman, Marie Davies, Adam Vanderman; PGY2 Class: Bottom (L to R) Kelsey Tiemann, Jared Ostroff

Website: [www.durham.va.gov/pharmacy/residency.asp](http://www.durham.va.gov/pharmacy/residency.asp)

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## PGY-1 Residency



**Durham VA  
Medical Center**  
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The Durham VA Medical Center (DVAMC) is a 274-bed tertiary care referral, teaching and research facility affiliated with the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy, Campbell University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the Duke University School of Medicine. The Medical Center provides general and specialty medical, surgical, psychiatric inpatient and ambulatory services, and serves as a major referral center for North Carolina, southern Virginia, northern South Carolina, and eastern Tennessee. In addition, it serves as a referral center for high-risk open-heart surgery cases, angioplasty, and hemodynamic cardiac catheterization. The Medical Center is committed to the needs of the Veteran, as demonstrated by the research, education and clinical practice programs available throughout the institution.

## **Program Description**

The ASHP Accredited PGY-1 Residency at the Durham VAMC offers a rewarding and challenging experience designed to refine skills necessary to become an independent practitioner. With an emphasis in primary care, the Resident will have the opportunity to become an integral member of the healthcare system to provide complete and detailed pharmacotherapeutic interventions to improve patient care services. As a member of this healthcare team, the Resident will work in a multi-disciplinary environment that provides active learning, instruction, mentoring and evaluation to develop and enhance pharmaceutical care.

**Start Date: July 1**

## **Accreditation**

The Residency Program was originally accredited by ASHP as a pharmacy practice residency in 1994. The program has been reaccredited since then, most recently in November 2011, receiving a 6-year accreditation.

**Match ID# 185913**

## **Goals and Objectives**

The purpose of the Residency Program is to develop competent well-rounded clinical pharmacy practitioners. The Residency Program will provide opportunities for the Resident to enhance his/her knowledge, skills, and abilities to effectively provide pharmaceutical care services in many different patient care environments. In addition, the Resident will improve his/her communication skills with other healthcare providers and patients, strengthen drug information skills, learn to promote cost effective drug therapy, and nurture a commitment to lifelong learning.

## **Educational Affiliations**

The Durham VAMC is a teaching institution affiliated with the Duke University School of Medicine and serves as a training site for pharmacy students from Campbell and UNC Schools of Pharmacy.

## **Practice Areas**

### **Required Rotations:**

Ambulatory Care  
Internal Medicine  
Drug Information  
Geriatrics  
Pharmacy Administration

Choice of 4 elective rotations

### **Elective Rotations:**

Inpatient/Outpatient Anticoagulation  
Infectious Diseases  
Critical Care/Nutrition  
Cardiology  
Ambulatory Care/Medication Management Clinics (multiple specialty clinics)  
Internal Medicine  
Clinical Research/Investigational Drug Service  
Formulary Management  
Geriatric Specialty

## **Additional Activities**

- Complete and present a residency research project to peers at the Southeastern Residency Conference
- Prepare a manuscript suitable for publication
- Multiple teaching opportunities including course instructor, didactic lecturing, and CE presentations
- Precept PharmD candidates
- Present a case presentation, journal club and other clinical seminars
- Write a pharmacy newsletter
- Complete a MUE
- Evaluate and present ADR reports
- Attend P&T meetings
- Attend ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting
- Staffing