

Application Requirements

- ✓ Applicants must have completed a Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum from an accredited school of pharmacy with a GPA of 3.0 or above and have no "D's" in their therapeutics courses.
- ✓ Have completed or in the process of completing a PGY1 ASHP accredited or pending accreditation residency program
- ✓ All applicants must have U.S. citizenship. (VA requirement)

Application Materials

- ✓ Letter of intent
- ✓ Updated Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- ✓ An official transcript from an ACPE-accredited Doctor of Pharmacy Program
- ✓ Three formal letters of recommendation, preferably from rotation preceptors or professional colleagues who can assess clinical skills

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Pharmacy Residency Program Postgraduate Year Two (PGY-2)



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*"To care for him who shall have borne the battle and for
his widow and his orphan."*

Abraham Lincoln

VA Tennessee Valley Healthcare System (TVHS)

The VA Tennessee Valley Healthcare System (TVHS) is an integrated healthcare organization comprised of two campuses in Nashville and Murfreesboro, Tennessee, in addition to over ten community-based outpatient clinics located throughout middle Tennessee and southern Kentucky. The system is affiliated with Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College, as well as schools of pharmacy at the University of Tennessee, Samford University, Belmont University, and Lipscomb University. Between the two medical center campuses, there is an extensive range of medical and clinical pharmacy services that provides an optimal training and teaching environment.



Nashville Campus
1310 24th Ave. South
Nashville, TN 37212



Alvin C. York Campus
3400 Lebanon Rd
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

VA Employment Benefits:

- Healthcare insurance
- Optional dental and vision insurance plans
- 12 vacation days
- 10 paid holidays
- 12 days of sick leave
- Administrative leave for professional meetings

Post-graduate Year Two (PGY2) in Ambulatory Care

This PGY2 residency provides ample opportunities to work with a number of clinical pharmacists who run specialized ambulatory care clinics managing many different disease states. Each clinical pharmacy specialist in these areas has a scope of practice which includes prescriptive authority, laboratory ordering, and entry of computerized patient progress notes. Many of the preceptors are board certified by the Board of Pharmaceutical Specialties, have been published in multiple journals, and have been practicing for years in their particular area of expertise. The PGY2 resident will gain experience in developing and managing his or her own pharmacotherapy clinic. The resident will have many opportunities for research, including development of and participation in prospective and retrospective trials. Additionally, the resident will participate in formulary management and pharmacy administration with elective rotations available in pharmacoeconomics, cardiology/heart failure clinic, geriatrics, acute medicine, and acute psychiatry. In addition to the core and elective rotations, the PGY2 resident will aid in precepting eight PGY1 residents and pharmacy students from multiple colleges of pharmacy. The PGY2 resident will also play an integral role in planning an ambulatory care selective class for the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy.

Residency Strengths:

- Exposure to a wide variety of clinical practice settings
- Highly credentialed & experienced preceptors
- Flexible rotations tailored to the resident's interest areas
- Experience with clinical privileges
- Supportive and collaborative research training including prospective research trials
- Experience precepting pharmacy students & PGY1 pharmacy residents
- Participation in direct patient care disease management clinics including:
 - Diabetes
 - Hypertension
 - Hyperlipidemia
 - Hepatitis C
 - Dementia
 - Vitamin D deficiency
 - Anticoagulation
 - Chronic Pain