



# McGuire VA Medical Center PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency

Richmond, Virginia

Our residency is a one-year, full-time, ASHP-accredited program that provides four residents per year an intensive experience in delivering comprehensive pharmaceutical care to the veteran population.

## Program Purpose

Pharmacists completing this residency will be able to effectively manage their own practice and function competently and confidently in multiple health care environments. They will be accountable for achieving optimal drug therapy outcomes as members of the health care team. These pharmacists will exercise skill in educating other health care professionals, patients, caregivers, and trainees on drug-related topics. They will demonstrate a style of practice which reflects self-initiation, problem solving, self-assessment and advancement of the profession of pharmacy. Graduates of the program should be able to develop, implement and maintain clinical pharmacy services in a variety of primary healthcare delivery settings. Program graduates should possess the capabilities of recognizing, stimulating and participating in administrative and clinical research and will be qualified to assume a leadership position in clinical pharmacy.



*Hunter Holmes McGuire VA Medical Center is a 400 bed tertiary referral medical center serving approximately 45,000 veterans annually. Our medical center is a teaching facility with an academic affiliation with VCU Medical Center and the Medical College of Virginia.*

### Longitudinal Rotations:

Anticoagulation Management Clinic  
Decentralized Outpatient Pharmacy  
Inpatient Pharmacy Services  
Research  
Pharmacotherapy Clinic

### Focused Rotations:

Drug Information  
Mental Health  
Pharmacy Management  
Infectious Disease

### Selective Rotations allow you to customize your training experiences:

Acute Care (Internal Medicine, Intensive Care,  
Polytrauma Rehabilitation, Spinal Cord Injury)

Geriatrics (Home-Based Primary Care, Nursing  
Home)

...plus a variety of elective experiences!

## Progressive Practice Setting

- VA has a fully comprehensive electronic medical record
- Residents work under their pharmacy preceptors' scopes of practice and prescriptive authority
- Longitudinal rotations afford residents the opportunity to see the benefits of continuity of care
- Clinical and didactic teaching to pharmacy students, including optional participation in the Teaching and Learning Certificate Program offered by the VCU/MCV School of Pharmacy
- Teaching and presentations, including clinical seminars, case conferences, journal club discussions
- Topic discussions, including sessions to prepare for board certification

## Resident Benefits

- Annual stipend (\$41,929 in 2012-2013)
- Extra income from staffing requirements
- Vacation time and sick leave accrue throughout the year
- Federal holidays
- Medical and life insurance are available
- Tuition and travel reimbursement to the Eastern States Residency Conference
- Administrative leave for other professional meetings



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## Qualification of Applicants

All applicants must be United States citizens, must be licensed pharmacists or eligible for licensure in at least one state or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, and must possess a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from a school or college of pharmacy accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education. If not licensed at the beginning of the residency, the resident will make arrangements for examination as soon as possible. Applicants must be in good physical and mental health and of good moral character and personality. They must possess the unique aptitude and motivation to practice clinical pharmacy, especially in the way of direct patient care.



*Richmond, the capital of Virginia, consistently ranks among "Best Places to Live and Work in America" in several national publications. While offering easy access to the ocean and mountains, Richmond features historic landmarks and neighborhoods, stylish shopping and restaurants, and a temperate climate that is suitable for year-round outdoor activities.*

## Application Procedure

**1. Apply to our program on PhORCAS by January 4, 2013.**

*We prefer that your three references are instructors who have observed you in clinical practice.*

**2. Include the following Supplemental Information:**

- [Standard Form - Application for Associated Health Occupation \(VA Form 10-2850c\)](#)
- [Declaration for Federal Employment \(OPM Form OF-306\)](#)

**3. Applications will be reviewed, and on-site interviews will be extended to selected candidates.**

**4. Candidates will be ranked and positions filled using the National Matching Service (NMS). Our NMS program code is 290613.**



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