

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Residency

Purpose

The PGY2 Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Residency program builds on Doctor of Pharmacy education and the PGY1 pharmacy residency program to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in advanced ambulatory care pharmacy practice. The PGY2 Ambulatory Care residency provides residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners, champion research projects, integrate within various facility committees, and drive pharmacy department initiatives.

Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 Ambulatory Care residency should possess competencies that qualify them for clinical pharmacist and/or faculty positions and allow them to be eligible for attainment of board certification in ambulatory care pharmacy.

Program Structure

PGY2 ambulatory care residency is designed to provide residents with the following experiences:

- Clinical required rotations
 - Primary care
 - Anticoagulation
 - Diabetes
 - Geriatrics
 - Tobacco treatment
- Clinical elective rotations
 - Addiction medicine
 - Allergy
 - Dermatology
 - Endocrine
 - Epilepsy
 - Geropsychiatry
 - Heart failure
 - Hematology/Oncology
 - Home-based primary care
 - Infectious disease
 - Mental health
 - Nutrition
 - Osteoporosis
 - Pain
 - Renal
 - Rheumatology
 - Transplant
- Teaching opportunities
- Leadership and practice advancement
- Longitudinal project implementation

Special Features

Prescriptive Authority

Residents have prescriptive authority to order medications, laboratory tests, imaging, and consults to other services within their scope of practice.

Education Series

Residents present journal clubs, patient cases, and disease state reviews to residents and preceptors.

Clinical Instructor Status

This program is associated with the University of Wisconsin—Madison School of Pharmacy, where residents serve as clinical instructors in pharmacotherapy labs and for didactic lectures. Residents also have the opportunity to precept School of Pharmacy students throughout the educational year.

Chief Resident

PGY2 ambulatory care residents mentor PGY1 residents and rotate through serving as Chief Resident.

Interprofessional Collaboration

Clinical Pharmacy Specialists and residents are core members of the Patient-Aligned Care Team (PACT), and provide disease state management. Each team consists of a primary care provider, pharmacist, nurse, social worker, dietician, and a mental health provider. Many specialty clinics also have a strong emphasis on team-based care and interprofessional care planning.

Innovation

This site was the first VA facility to create a residency program in direct medication therapy management. In 2020, this site was the only site in the nation to earn the Clinical Pharmacy Practice Office (CPPO) PACT Platinum Practice Designation. This designation demonstrates the pharmacy team's commitment to the integration of pharmacy services and innovation in the development of progressive operational, clinical, and educational services.

Application Process

Applicants must be a graduate of an American Council of Pharmaceutical Education accredited School of Pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree. They must also have completed or be currently enrolled in a first year pharmacy residency program. Internal and external candidates are eligible to apply. Applicants must have an aptitude and motivation for ambulatory care with a desire to develop leadership and practice advancement skills.

Candidates will be reviewed based on the following criteria: knowledge of professional practice, communication skills, ability to apply theory to practice, leadership ability, confidence, and maturity.

Apply through PhORCAS and submit: academic transcripts, curriculum vitae, letters of recommendation, and cover letter. An onsite interview is required.

Application deadline: see ASHP website

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