

PHARMACY RESIDENCY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

VA NWIHCS – Grand Island offers an ASHP accredited PGY1 residency (2 positions) as well as candidate-status PGY2 Ambulatory Care program (1 position).

PGY2 residents longitudinally manage complex patients within a rural ambulatory care practice. Residents develop advanced skill in the management of hyperlipidemia, diabetes, hypertension, tobacco cessation, chronic pain, congestive heart failure, anticoagulation and mental health. The primary clinical site is Grand Island, however residents complete rotations at additional sites within the integrated healthcare system.

Residents will rotate through a satellite clinic in rural, North Platte, Nebraska. In this unique environment, the pharmacist manages a variety of disease states, in addition to regulatory compliance, access to meds in the community, etc. Residents will also rotate through the Pain/Whole Health clinic (Omaha) and Mental Health Clinic to gain unique experiences in specialty disease state management.

PGY2 residents will be heavily involved in precepting PGY1 residents and APPE students. An online teaching certificate program is offered through Creighton University if interested.

About Us

Grand Island: While located in a rural setting, with a population of about 50,000, Grand Island is Nebraska's fourth largest city. Grand Island is home to the Nebraska State Fair and many hotels, unique restaurants and breweries. The brick-streets of the Railside District downtown are a destination for business, culture and entertainment with summer concert series and other events throughout the year. Grand Island has several bike/walking trails and parks throughout the community and is close to camp grounds, fishing lakes and hunting grounds. Grand Island is located just 90 minutes from Lincoln, the state's capital.

For More Information:

http://www.nebraska.va.gov/nemprov/pharmacy_residency/VA_NWIHCS_Pharmacy_Residency_Programs.asp



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<https://www.pbm.va.gov/PBM/education/vapharmacyresidencyprogram.asp>



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PHARMACY

PGY2 Residency



VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System
Grand Island, Nebraska

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Residency Program

PGY2 Program

Purpose Statement:

PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.

PGY2 Program Structure

REQUIRED EXPERIENCES

Rotational

- Orientation
- Anticoagulation (based on experience during PGY1)
- Outpatient Mental Health
- Rural Ambulatory Care (North Platte VA Clinic - available virtually)
- Pain/Whole Health (Omaha VA Medical Center)

Longitudinal

- Leadership/Practice Management
- Ambulatory Care/PACT Clinic
- Residency Project (QI or research)
- Pharmacy Administration

ELECTIVE EXPERIENCES (up to 4)

- Home-Based Primary Care (virtual)
- Academic Detailing (virtual)
- Residency Management
- Cardiology/Clinic (Omaha)
- Endocrinology/Nutrition Clinic (Omaha)
- Geriatrics (Omaha)
- Specialty Clinics (Omaha)
- Academia (Omaha/UNMC)
- Clinical Service Management

*Residents may complete up to 12 weeks at the Omaha VA (housing is not provided)

The PGY2 program is flexible to the interests and goals of the resident. The RPD will work closely with the resident to ensure the year is tailored and help create new opportunities as needed

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Stipend (\$43,500)
- 13 Days of Vacation Leave
- 13 Days of Sick Leave
- 10 Holidays Off
- 3 Lab Coats
- Paid VA Interview days
- Comprehensive benefits package (life, health, dental and vision insurance)
- Travel/education assistance provided to attend ASHP Midyear and regional residency conference, as available

Requirements:

- Doctor of Pharmacy degree from an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy
- Eligible for pharmacist licensure in any of the 50 U.S. states or the District of Columbia
- Graduate of ASHP-accredited PGY1 pharmacy residency program
- Completion of at least one ambulatory care/primary care rotation during PGY1
- U.S. Citizen

Application Materials:

- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum Vitae
- Academic Transcripts (minimum GPA of 3.0 or no repeated courses if pass/fail)
- Three completed Residency Applicant Recommendation forms (including one from PGY1 RPD)
- Supplemental Material: PDF of PharmAcademic summative evaluation from primary care/ambulatory care experience
- Special requirements: reference writers complete and answer all narrative comment questions (1-4)

Application* Deadline: Jan. 10

Interview Notification: Jan. 27

*PhORCAS Participant

