

# **PGY1 Pharmacy Residency**

#### **Program Purpose**

The purpose of our PGY1 program is to build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives. Residents who successfully complete PGY1 residency programs will be skilled in diverse patient care, practice management, leadership, and education, and be prepared to provide patient care, seek board certification in pharmacotherapy (i.e., BCPS), and pursue advanced education and training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies.

#### **Overview of the Residency Program**

This program is administered through the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science (UB SPPS) and the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) and is sited at the Buffalo Psychiatric Center (BPC) in downtown Buffalo, NY. Strengths of this program include interprofessional, collaborative patient care in the inpatient and outpatient settings and an academic pharmacy experience anchored by the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. Graduates of this residency will be competent, compassionate, and effective clinical pharmacists who are experts in providing pharmacy care to a diverse patient population. Graduates will be skilled in providing education to patients and caregivers, pharmacy students, and healthcare providers and will possess project management skills and the skills required to design, implement, manage, and evaluate clinical pharmacy services as well as to prepare for a potential career in academia.

## **Description of the Practice Site**

The Buffalo Psychiatric Center is a 190 bed Joint Commission accredited inpatient psychiatric facility within the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) that also provides outpatient serves to thousands of individuals with serious mental illness in the Western New York Community. Clinical practice opportunities include adult general medicine, patients with serious mentally illness, pediatric and geriatric psychiatry with an additional focus on education and teaching. The program provides the flexibility to be individualized based upon candidate interests and goals.

## **Required Learning Experiences**

**Clinical Pharmacy Services** is a required series of rotations comprised of 4 four-week unique learning experiences each with a specific focus: cardiometabolic disorders (CPS-1), infectious disease (CPS-2), COPD and pulmonary disorders (CPS-3) and renal function and chronic kidney disease (CPS-4). The CPS-3 and CPS-4 rotations may be extended to 6 weeks based on the progression and preference of the resident. These learning experiences support the progressive development of the resident as the clinical pharmacist assigned to provide direct patient care through clinical interventions and activities. The resident will complete these learning experiences within the inpatient units at BPC.

**Practice Management** is a required learning experience of this residency. The learning experience is comprised of two (2) longitudinal modules, each 24 weeks in length, that focus on the progressive development of the resident as a clinical pharmacist assigned to provide leadership and practice management oversight, thus the resident is expected to participate as a member of several committees, such as Drug Utilization Evaluation (DUE), Pharmacy

and Therapeutics (P+T) committee and attend Medication Errors, Falls and Antimicrobial Stewardship committee meetings. The resident will contribute to pharmacy department planning and quality improvement initiatives. Other leadership and management experiences may take place within the Department of Pharmacy Practice at UB SPPS.

**Teaching and Education** is a required series of rotations **comprised of 3 sequential** learning experiences of this residency. Teaching and Education: Academia-1 and Teaching and Education: Precepting both 8 weeks in duration, with Teaching and Education: Academia-2 scheduled as a longitudinal 24-week rotation. All rotations focus on the progressive development of the resident as an academic pharmacy preceptor, drug information specialist and practice leader. The resident will complete this learning experience primarily at UB SPPS and BPC. **Completion of a Teaching Certificate Program, and ACPE-accredited continuing education program are required.** 

**General Medicine** is a required 6-week learning experience in this PGY1 residency program. This learning experience allows the resident to engage in collaborative practice and pharmacist driven protocols when rounding with attendings, residents, interns, nurse, and medical/pharmacy students to provide collaborative care and is sited at the Erie County Medical Center (ECMC) in Buffalo, NY.\*

**Pediatric and Geriatric** are required 4-week learning experiences in this PGY1 residency program. The role of the pharmacist assigned to this practice area is to provide direct patient care through a variety of clinical interventions and activities that focus on the progressive development of the resident as an effective clinical pharmacist responsible for the care of age specific populations diagnosed with medical and psychiatric illnesses. This learning experience will be sited at the geriatric unit BPC and the Children's psychiatric center in West Seneca, NY.

**Research Project:** The resident is required to complete at least two projects over the course of the year which focus on improving pharmacy practice, clinical care, patient safety, healthcare operations, or investigate gaps in knowledge related to patient care.

\*offsite non-reimbursable expenses such as mileage and parking fees may apply

## **Additional Information**

**Eligibility:** Candidates must possess a PharmD degree from an ACPE-accredited school of pharmacy and be eligible for licensure in New York State.

**PhORCAS:** Letter of intent, curriculum vitae, three (3) references, and transcripts should be submitted electronically via PhORCAS

Program Duration: 52 weeks (approximately: July 8 – July 7) Number of Positions: 1

**Salary and Benefits:** Competitive salary; benefits package that includes health insurance, vacation and sick leave, paid holidays, travel support, stipend to attend professional meetings, online library and computer privileges.

Application Deadline: January 5th

National Matching Service Code: 195813

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