PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

Program Purpose

PGY1 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions, eligible for board certification, and eligible for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training.

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 a clinical pharmacy service as well as to prepare for a potential career in academia.

Description of the Practice Site

The Buffalo Psychiatric Center is a 160 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 general medicine adult, 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 learning experience of this residency. The learning experience is comprised of four (4) modules, each 4 to 8 weeks in length, that focus on the progressive development of the resident as the clinical pharmacist assigned to provide direct patient care through a number of clinical interventions and activities. The resident will complete this learning experience primarily within the inpatient units at BPC.

Practice Management is a required learning experience of this residency. The learning experience is comprised of four (4) modules, each 4 to 8 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 in several committees, such as Quality Management, P&T and 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 learning experience of this residency. The learning experience is comprised of four (4) modules, each 4 to 8 weeks in length, that 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, Journal Club, and ACPE-accredited continuing education program are required.

**General Medicine** is a required 4 week learning experience in this PGY1 residency program. The role of the pharmacist assigned to this practice area is to be the clinical pharmacist on the general (family) medicine team. This learning experience allows the resident to round with an attending, residents, interns, nurse, and medical/pharmacy students to provide care and is sited at the Erie County Medical Center 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 and Project:** The resident is required to complete at least one major project over the course of the year which focuses on the design, implementation, and/or evaluation of a clinical pharmacy service at BPC/OMH.

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**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:** 12 months (approximately: July 1 – June 30)   **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 4th, 2019

**National Matching Service Code:** 195813

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The PGY1 Pharmacy Residency conducted by the UB School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences and the New York State Office of Mental Health is accredited with ASHP.