

# **The VANJHCS PGY- 1 Residency**

The Department of Veterans Affairs New Jersey Health Care System (VANJHCS) has two available PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice Residency positions.

Our program is in candidate status. Our ASHP accreditation survey was conducted in May 2016 and we expect our program to be accredited in April 2017. Accreditation will be retroactive to the 2015 inaugural year.

## **About VANJHCS**

The VANJHCS is an integrated system consisting of two Veterans Health Affairs campuses located in East Orange and Lyons and ten Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) located throughout northern and central New Jersey. We serve more than 56,000 Veterans with an average of 630,000 outpatient visits and 5,200 inpatient admissions per year.

The East Orange Campus is a tertiary care teaching facility affiliated with the Rutgers-New Jersey Medical Schools. It is located on 34 acres in northeast New Jersey adjacent to the City of Newark. The Campus overlooks a residential area with the Manhattan skyline visible on the horizon.

The Lyons Campus provides long-term care, palliative care, and outpatient and residential psychiatric services, as well as primary and specialty outpatient clinics. Situated on 365 acres, it is 22 miles west of the East Orange Campus.

The CBOCs provide primary and specialty care outpatient services.



East Orange Campus



Lyons Campus

## **PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency Purpose**

The purpose of the VA New Jersey Health Care System PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program is to build on the Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and outcomes. The residency will contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions and to prepare graduate pharmacists for the practice of pharmacy as exemplified by the concepts of pharmaceutical care. Upon completion of the PGY1 program, the resident will be eligible for board certification and a postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training program.

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## Learning Experiences



Residents will rotate through various experiences in the inpatient and outpatient care delivery settings at the East Orange and Lyons Campuses.

### Core Rotations (7 required):

1. Orientation – 5 weeks
2. Ambulatory (Primary) Care – 5 weeks
3. Anticoagulation Management – 5 weeks
4. Acute Care Medicine – 5 weeks
5. Pharmacy Practice – 5 weeks
6. Pharmacy Services Administration & Leadership – 4 weeks
7. Psychiatry – 5 weeks

### Elective Rotations (Choice of 3):

Based on Resident's interest, two rotations are 4 weeks and one is 6 weeks:

1. Extension of a core rotation(s)
2. Extended Care/Geriatrics
3. Infectious Disease
4. Rural Health/Home Based Primary Care
5. Individualized rotation based on Resident's interest

### Longitudinal Experiences:

1. Major Project with ASHP poster presentation, Eastern States Residency Conference presentation and culminating in a publishable manuscript
2. Medication Safety/Adverse Drug Event Reporting
3. Medication Use Evaluation
4. Non-formulary/Prior Authorization drug consult review
5. Pharmacy Practice (Staffing)
6. Pharmacy Resident Clinic - anti-coagulation and ambulatory care patients
7. Pharmacy Systems Process Project

Teaching Certificate: Optional program available through Rutgers University.



Residents will provide patient and staff education, participate in Journal Club, present lectures and case discussions and precept pharmacy clerkship students.

### Stipend and Benefits

- ✓ Stipend: estimated \$46,500
- ✓ 13 paid vacation days
- ✓ 10 paid Federal holidays
- ✓ 13 paid sick days
- ✓ Federal health/life insurance
- ✓ Free on-site parking
- ✓ Authorized absence for meetings (travel support based on funding availability)

### Eligibility

1. U.S. citizenship at the time of application
2. Doctor of Pharmacy from an ACPE-accredited school with GPA $\geq$ 3.0
3. Pharmacist licensure eligible (or license) in any U.S. state or territory, or the District of Columbia.
4. English language proficiency

### Application Procedure

We participate in the ASHP Resident Matching Program (the "Match"). Our NMS Match Code is 235113.

- ✓ Applications are to be made through PhORCAS
- ✓ Submit a one page letter of intent, curriculum vitae, official college transcripts and three letters of recommendation
- ✓ On-site interview required
- ✓ Application deadline: **January 8, 2017**

