PGY2 Informatics Residency

Rotation Information for Residency Candidates

**Required Concentrated Learning Experiences**
- Orientation
- Automation and Informatics
- Data Analysis
- Research
- Clinical Decision Support
- Four (4) Electives

**Elective Learning Experiences**
- Focused experience in longitudinal components
- Advanced Fileman
- Advanced SQL
- MUMPS
- Advanced Research
- Sharepoint development and management
- Teaching
- Visual Basic for Applications
- Vista Macros

**Required Longitudinal Experiences**
- Administration
- Automation Support
- Medication Safety
- Project Management
- Research

**Other Longitudinal Activities**
- Drug Utilization Evaluations
- Formulary Management
- Hospital Administration
- Pharmacy Benefits Management (PBM) Committee (i.e., P&T Committee)
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Pharmacy Management (Clinical and Operational)
- Pharmacy Staffing
- Systems Redesign
- VISN and National cost savings initiatives
- VISN PBM involvement

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For additional information about the PGY2 Informatics residency program at the Dorn VA, please contact the PGY2 Informatics Residency Program Director or Associate Chief of Clinical Pharmacy Services:

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Dorn VA PGY2 Informatics Pharmacy Residency Program

About the Residency Program
The Informatics Residency program at the William Jennings Bryan Dorn VA Medical Center (Dorn VA) in Columbia, SC is a hospital-based, 12-month residency. This program offers comprehensive training in areas of informatics and administration including systems design, use and support of automation, data retrieval and analysis including query development, clinical decision support, pharmacy administration, pharmacoeconomic evaluations and budget analysis, therapeutic medication conversions, medication use evaluations, formulary management, and medication safety.

Residents also have ongoing teaching responsibilities to pharmacy and hospital staff with discussions of new clinical updates. Residents have the option to participate in the Clinical Teaching Certificate program provided by an affiliated College of Pharmacy which is a longitudinal experience where a resident receives a teaching certificate upon completion.

Additional practice components include computer programming, Sharepoint development and management, research, adverse-drug-reaction reporting, medication error reporting, and participation in other multidisciplinary local and VISN committees.

Residents will also be required to complete a major project, from which they will write an article suitable for publication. This project will be formally presented at a regional residency conference and as a poster presentation at a local and/or national conference.

The start date is July 1st of each year, although this date may vary by a week or two. Benefits include health insurance, free lab coats, 2 weeks of sick leave, 2 weeks of annual leave (vacation), holidays, and free on-site parking. Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a physical exam, including negative drug test. Applicants must meet requirements for federal employment, such as US citizenship. Residents are required be licensed prior to beginning the PGY2 program.

About the Dorn VA Hospital
The Dorn VA is a teaching hospital, which provides comprehensive health care to more than 80,000 veterans across the state of South Carolina. In addition to the main hospital, there are 7 community-based outpatient clinics (CBOCs) throughout the state. The hospital is affiliated with the University of South Carolina (USC) School of Medicine, which shares its campus with the hospital. The Pharmacy Service has affiliations with Colleges of Pharmacy at USC, South University, and Presbyterian College.

The Dorn VA is a 203 bed facility with an average daily census of 137. Almost 950,000 outpatient visits were conducted in 2018. Four long-term care units and one hospice unit are operated within the hospital and the hospital also provides cardiac services, oncology services, psychiatric services, substance abuse treatment, and many types of surgery.

Application and Interview Information

Application Requirements:
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of intent
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- College transcripts
- Doctor of Pharmacy degree required from an ACPE accredited school
- US citizenship required
- Successful completion of an ASHP accredited PGY1 residency (statement of expected successful completion by current RPD is required)

Number of Positions: 1
Stipend: approx. $45,000
Start Date: approx. July 1st

Interview Requirements:
- Must attend an onsite interview
- Candidates will be notified of interview status no later than January 20th

The residency program participates in the National Matching System and PhORCAS for the application process. This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.

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