PGY2 Emergency Medicine Pharmacy Residency Overview

Application Deadline: December 23rd, 2020

Residency Program Overview
Type/Duration: 12 month/full-time residency
Number of Positions: 1
Starting Date: July 1st
Estimated Stipend: $55,515
Interview Required: Yes

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Training Site
UVA Health is a 602-bed, large academic medical center located in Charlottesville, VA. The Emergency Department (ED) expansion opened Fall 2019 and boasts a 70-bed, 45,000 ft² state of the art facility caring for over 60,000 patients per year.

Purpose
A PGY2 Emergency Medicine pharmacy residency program will build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in advanced or specialized practice in emergency medicine. PGY2 training 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 that improves medication therapy. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency should possess competencies that qualify them for clinical pharmacist and/or faculty positions focused in emergency medicine and position them to be eligible for attainment of board certification in the specialized practice area.

Fringe Benefits
Medical, dental, and liability insurance; 15 vacation days; 14 sick days; professional leave days. Residents have access to professional leave to attend the ASHP Annual Midyear Clinical Meeting or another national meeting of their choice, and regional meetings at the discretion of the program director. Residents are responsible for all meeting-related travel expenses using the funds added to the annual stipends.
Special Features
Comprehensive pharmacy services are supported by decentralized clinical pharmacy teams, state of the art Emergency Department (opened in October 2019), automation/technology, an electronic medical record, and computerized prescriber order entry. UVA Health is a regional teaching and referral center offering a broad range of specialty services and supporting national recognized schools of medicine and nursing. UVA Health is also a branch campus for the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) School of Pharmacy. Learn more about the UVA Emergency Department here: https://blog.uvahealth.com/2019/09/27/uva-emergency-room-expansion-opening-october-15-slideshow/

Application Requirements
Applicants must:
- Complete an ASHP-accredited PGY-1 pharmacy residency
- Be a graduate of an ACPE-accredited advanced pharmacy program
- Be a licensed pharmacist in the Commonwealth of Virginia by September 1st, 2021

Applicants must upload the following application material into PhORCAS by December 23, 2020:
- Curriculum vitae
- Letter of intent
- Three letters of recommendation
- Official college of pharmacy transcript

Program Structure
The 2021-2022 UVA Health Pharmacy Residency will begin on July 1st, 2021 and end on June 30th, 2022. Mandatory housestaff orientation will take place the first week of July. Residents will complete institutional and departmental onboarding activities followed by orientation to the Emergency Department during the month of July. Pharmacy residency policies can be referenced on the UVA pharmacy website:
PGY-2 Emergency Medicine Rotations

Core Required Rotations
- Emergency Medicine I (8 weeks)
- Emergency Medicine II (6 weeks)
- Emergency Medicine III (9 weeks)
- Pediatric Emergency Medicine
- Medical Intensive Care Unit
- Toxicology

Elective Rotations
- Surgical/Trauma Intensive Care Unit
- Neurosciences Intensive Care Unit
- Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
- Infectious Diseases
- Coronary Care Unit

Research Activities
The PGY2 Emergency Medicine pharmacy resident is required to complete a quality project and a major research project suitable for publication. Graduation requirements include submission of a manuscript suitable for publication. In addition, it is anticipated that the resident will present a poster at the Department of Medicine Scholars/Research Day.

Presentation Requirements
Research project results will be presented at either a national/international meeting or local meeting of comparable scientific rigor. Additionally, each resident is responsible for presenting one ACPE-accredited one-hour seminar for pharmacists. Other presentation opportunities are available through the Department of Emergency Medicine and VCU School of Pharmacy Emergency Medicine elective course.

Service Component
Pharmacy practice experience is required for the program with a total of 416 hours per resident. For PGY2 residents, this includes staffing every fourth weekend in a decentralized clinical role plus a 4-hour evening shift no more frequently than once weekly. PGY2 residents are also required to complete one four-day overnight stretch. Additionally, the resident is required to work one four-day block associated with a major holiday (Thanksgiving, Christmas, or New Year’s).

Certification
The PGY2 Emergency Medicine resident is required to complete American Heart Association Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and has the option to participate in Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) training and certification.
Teaching
Through partnership with the VCU School of Pharmacy, UVA Health pharmacy residents have the opportunity to earn a Teaching and Learning certificate, if a teaching certificate was not completed as a PGY1. As part of the VCU School of Pharmacy satellite campus, residents interact with pharmacy students completing their third and fourth professional years at the UVA campus. Furthermore, the Department of Pharmacy serves as a rotation site for introductory and advanced pharmacy practice experiences for VCU, Shenandoah University, and Appalachian College of Pharmacy. Residents will have a variety of teaching opportunities that include didactic experiences and precepting students and PGY1 residents on clinical rotations. In addition, the resident will get the opportunity to lead a lecture in the Emergency Medicine Pharmacy Elective through VCU College of pharmacy.

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