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The purpose of Hoo's News is to communicate information among past, current, and future residents. If you have news that you would like to share, please contact Michelle McCarthy.



This year has been especially difficult in the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and fight for social justice and equality. Now, more than ever, it is important that we stand together and communicate with each other on these important items. Here, we would like to share our past, current, and future residents' stories, as well as their journey over the past few months. And, of course, my terrible dad jokes throughout. Enjoy!

Residency Program Information

University of Virginia Health (hey look, we have a new name!) has 12 programs: PGY1 Pharmacy (established 1991), PGY2-Critical Care (established 2002), PGY1/PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration (established 2010), PGY2-Oncology (established 2011), PGY2-Pharmacy Informatics (established 2011), PGY2-Solid Organ Transplantation (established 2013), PGY2-Infectious Diseases (established 2015), PGY2-Pediatrics (established 2015), PGY2-Cardiology (established

2017), PGY1-Community (established 2017), PGY2-Ambulatory Care (established 2018), and PGY2-Emergency Medicine (established 2019).

PGY2 Class of 2019-2020: Where to Next?

Christa Brooker

PGY2-Ambulatory Care

Dr. Brooker graduated from VCU School of Pharmacy in 2018. She completed her PGY1 Community-based Pharmacy Residency at UVA in 2019. She has accepted a position as a clinical pharmacist in the Family Medicine Clinic at UVA Health.

Melissa Chinn

PGY2-Cardiology

Dr. Chinn graduated from Lipscomb University College of Pharmacy in 2018 and completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, TN in 2019. She has accepted a position as a cardiology clinical pharmacist at Yale New Haven Hospital in New Haven, CT.

Taylor Goins

PGY2-Critical Care

Dr. (She) Goins is a graduate of the VCU School of Pharmacy, where she received her PharmD degree in 2018. She completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at UVA Health in 2019. She has accepted a position as a critical care pharmacist at UVA Health.

Tyler Goins

PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration

Dr. (He) Goins graduated from VCU School of Pharmacy, where he earned his PharmD degree in 2018. He completed his PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at UVA in 2019. He has accepted a position as assistant manager for inpatient sterile compounding and children's hospital clinical operations.

Mary Lewis Griffin**PGY2-Emergency Medicine**

Dr. Griffin graduated from South Carolina College of Pharmacy at MUSC. She completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at UVA Health in 2019. She has accepted a position as a critical care pharmacist at UVA Health.

Bao Nguyen**PGY2-Pharmacy Informatics**

Dr. Nguyen graduated from Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy in 2018 and completed his PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Catawba Valley Medical Center in 2019. He has accepted a position as an IT Application Senior Analyst at UVA Health.

Ashni Patel**PGY2-Infectious Diseases**

Dr. Patel graduated from University of Georgia College of Pharmacy 2018. She completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at UVA in 2019. She has accepted a position as an antimicrobial stewardship pharmacist at the Pacific Islands Veterans Administration.

Cory Perry**PGY2-Oncology Pharmacy**

Dr. Perry graduated from University of Kansas School of Pharmacy in 2018. He completed his PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at UVA in 2019. He has accepted a position as a hematology pharmacist at University of Kansas.

Rachael Schortemeyer**PGY2-Pediatrics**

Dr. Schortemeyer graduated from VCU School of Pharmacy in 2018. She completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in 2019. She has accepted a position as a pediatric and neonatal critical care pharmacist at UVA Health.

Jesica Yau**PGY2-Solid Organ Transplant**

Dr. Yau graduated from VCU School of Pharmacy in 2018. She completed her PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at University of Wisconsin Health in 2019. She has

accepted a position as a solid organ transplant pharmacist at UVA Health.

PGY1 Class of 2019-2020: Hoo is going where?

The UVA PGY1 residency program has a strong tradition of retaining residents for a second year to further their clinical training. This year we are excited to keep six PGY1 residents on to complete a PGY2 residency at UVA in 2020-2021. We are also sad but excited for five of our PGY1 residents to spread their wings and begin new adventures. I'm not sure which ones will fly, but we know at least "two can" (Just kidding, we know they will all do amazing things at their respective destinations).

Mark Albright**PGY1-Pharmacy → PGY2-Cardiology**

Dr. Albright early committed to the UVA PGY2 Ambulatory Care pharmacy residency program. He graduated from The (trademark pending) Ohio State University College of Pharmacy in 2019.

Clarisso Cho**PGY1-Pharmacy/PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration and Leadership (HSPAL)**

Dr. Cho is continuing her second year in the HSPAL residency program at UVA Health. She is a graduate of the VCU School of Pharmacy in 2019.

John "Cameron" Crowe**PGY1-Pharmacy/PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration**

Dr. Crowe (caw-caw!) is continuing his second year in the HSPAL residency at UVA Health. He is a 2019 graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy.

Mackenzie Dolan**PGY1-Pharmacy → PGY2-Infectious Diseases**

Dr. Dolan has early committed to the UVA PGY2 Infectious Diseases pharmacy residency program. She graduated from the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy in 2019.

Ankit Gandhi
PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Gandhi graduated from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2019. Ankit has accepted a position as a Clinical Trials Results Analysts at the National Institute of Health in Maryland. Congratulations Ankit! We will miss you and Maxwell!

Nikki Griffith
PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Griffith graduated from South Carolina College of Pharmacy in 2019. She has accepted a position as an infectious diseases fellow at University of Illinois at Chicago. Congratulations Nikki! You shall be missed.

Caroline Jones
PGY1-Pharmacy → PGY2-Oncology Pharmacy

Dr. Jones has early committed to the UVA PGY2 Oncology Pharmacy Residency Program. She graduate from VCU School of Pharmacy in 2019.

Kayla Ryan
PGY1-Community-based Pharmacy

Dr. Ryan graduated from Appalachian College of Pharmacy in 2019. She has accepted a position as an ambulatory pharmacist at UVA Health Pharmacy.

Millie Thomas
PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Thomas graduated from the Medical University of South Carolina in 2019. She has accepted a position as a clinical pharmacist at Spartanburg Regional Health Care Center. Congratulations Millie! Good luck on your future endeavors!

Shelby Warring
PGY1-Pharmacy

Dr. Warring graduated from University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2019. She will continue her training as the PGY2 Pediatric Pharmacy resident at University of Maryland. Congratulations Shelby! We hope you will come visit us soon!

Melissa West
PGY1-Pharmacy → PGY2-Pediatric Pharmacy

Dr. West has early committed to the UVA PGY2 Pediatric Pharmacy Residency Program. She is a 2019 graduate of Auburn University School of Pharmacy.

UNC Research in Education and Practice Symposium

On June 22 and 23, all eleven PGY1 residents attended the virtual Seventh Annual Research in Education and Practice Symposium. The residents presented their research projects in a 12-minute platform presentation style format. It was an engaging opportunity for the residents as they were able to receive high-level feedback on their research as well as network with fellow pharmacy practitioners across the region. This was the sixth consecutive year that UVA has had PGY1 pharmacy residents participate in this event. According to research 95% percent of people don't notice when you replace a word with an instrument.

Networking Among Residency Programs

Social distancing has created new opportunities for residents to network outside of conferences and site visits. Many PGY2's were able to attend virtual conferences and continue to share their innovations and research with others, including at HOPA, ACC, PPA, and ATC. In addition, residents were able to attend in-person conferences prior to COVID-19, including SCCM, LEADERS, ID week, and ASHP Midyear in Las Vegas. I once got into an argument at the roulette wheel in Vegas over what I considered to be an odd number.

Hoo's New? The Residency Class of 2020-2021

We are excited to announce that we had another successful Match Day on 3/13/2020! Below are the wonderful new candidates to join our team at UVA Health. And just like many of our matches, I'm sure they will "light" up our day.



PGY1 Pharmacy Residents:

- Adam Archer: Auburn
- Ashley Asbell: UGA
- Amy Dorszynski: UNC
- Cameron Lee: Samford
- Tarak Patel: Texas Tech
- Carson Shoemaker: Pittsburgh
- Amanda VanInwegen: VCU
- Jessica Woodward: Maryland

PGY1-Community-based Resident:

- Devki Gajera: VCU

PGY1/PGY2-Health System Pharmacy Administration Resident:

- Ginae Bluitt: The (trademark pending) Ohio State
- Kevin Fekete: Purdue

PGY2-Ambulatory Care Resident:

- Lauren Pohl: Ole Miss (PGY1 UNC Community)

PGY2-Critical Care Resident:

- Alyssa Burke: South Carolina College of Pharmacy (PGY1 Baptist Health Lexington)

PGY2-Emergency Medicine Resident:

- Jessie Lipstreuer: University of Cincinnati (PGY1 University of Tennessee Medical Center)

PGY2-Pharmacy Informatics Resident:

- Ahn Lee: University of Florida (PGY1 Piedmont Columbus Regional Midtown)

PGY2-Solid Organ Transplant Resident:

- Ara Gharabagi: St. Louis College of Pharmacy (PGY1 Missouri Baptist Medical Center)

Medical Mission Trip with Faith in Practice: A New Tradition?

Two PGY2 residents, Christa and Mary Lewis, and two PGY1 residents, Melissa and Kayla, traveled with Bethany Delk on a medical mission trip to Guatemala with Faith in Practice. This year was Bethany's 15th year volunteering with Faith in Practice—a tradition she started when she was still a resident at UVA! During the 2020 trip, they traveled to two different villages in El Progreso,

Sanarate and San Augustin Acasaguastan, to set up medical clinics. During the 4 days of clinic, they helped provide medical care and medications to over 2,000 patients, many of whom would not otherwise have access to care. They witnessed patient struggles that are not normally faced in the US and grew appreciation for common commodities that impact safe medication use, such as electricity, clean water, and safe living conditions. The residents learned to provide care with limited resources, lack of future monitoring and follow-up, and a language barrier. They are very grateful that UVA allowed them to attend this trip as an "approved residency learning experience" and would like to thank Bethany and Michelle McCarthy for their hard work in making this trip possible. They are eager to return for future medical mission trips with Faith in Practice to continue to serve the Guatemalan people! PGY1 and PGY2 residents are interested in joining the Delk Village Team in Guatemala for the 2021 mission trip.



Here come the Quaran-teens

- Tom DiPiro (PP 14, HSPA 15) and his wife Nicole welcomed Nicholas Joseph DiPiro last June and is now almost 1 year old! He is having a great time with his sisters Rose, 3, and Margo, 5.
- Kara (DI 15) and husband David welcomed their second child, William David Thornton, on February 18th 2020. William was 7lb, 7oz and 19.5" long. Big brother Preston is excited for the new family addition.
- Carrie Moon (PP 12) and family relocated to Waco, TX where baby Elaina Caroline (7 lbs 13oz, 19 inches) joined her big brothers Ethan and Owen to make a family of 5!
- Kate Bidwell (CC 12) and her husband, Eric, welcomed their daughter, Piper Elizabeth Horton, on January 30, 2020. She was 6 lbs, 12 oz and 9.5 inches.
- Yours truly, Cory Perry, (PP 19, Onc 20) and wife Anna welcomed their first daughter Lyra Sloane Perry, 8 lbs 6 oz, 18 inches. She was born at womb temperature on March 24, 2020.



*William
Thornton*



Margo, Rose, and Nicholas DiPiro



Lyra Perry



Piper Bidwell

Engagements/ Weddings

Lauren Pohl (Am Care 21) got engaged to Buckley Dowdle on 2/24/2020! We cannot wait to meet you both when you come to Charlottesville. Congratulations!



Ashley Schields (PP 02, DI 03) became engaged to Michael Sax on Valentine's Day in Eureka Springs, Arkansas. They will be married on November 2, 2020 at Prospect Hill in Louisa, Virginia.



Ayeee! Millie Thomas (PP 20) became engaged to Tanner Oldham on 5/23/20.



Laura Mincemoyer (PP 13) married Michael Chargualaf on March 1, 2020 in Cancun, Mexico.



Engagements/ Weddings (continued)



Sarah Demott (PP17, CC 18) became engaged to Bobby Gregar and is planning a fall 2021 wedding.

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Awards and Honors

Dr. James Coons (PP 02) was elected a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology. Congratulations Jim!

New Positions

Scott Anderson (IT 12) has transitioned to a pharmacy supervisor position at Hennepin Healthcare in Minneapolis, MN.

Kyle Grose (PP 17, Onc 18) has moved closer to home and is an oncology clinical pharmacist at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas.

Brian Kempin (PP 16, HSPA 17) also moved closer to home and is a manager at St. Luke's Health System in Kansas City, MO.

Board Certification

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have no information about new board certifications.

Residents Have No Lives

Contrary to popular belief, our residents at UVA Health love to have quality time together, whether it is at work, hiking, restaurant, or at home. Residency is about the experience, and we could not have asked for a better class of individuals to share these experiences together. The following are some of the best times we have had over the last year together.

*Please note all group photos were taken prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.









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