Staffing Component

For the longitudinal staffing experience, residents will work one 8 hour weekend shift every 3 weeks and one 3.5 hour evening shift each week. Residents will work one non-major holiday during the residency year. During December, residents will work two 8 hour shifts in the two weeks around Christmas and New Year's.

Appointment of Applicants

Appointment is contingent upon satisfactory completion of a physical exam, including negative drug test. Applicants must meet requirements for federal employment and must hold U.S. citizenship. Residents must obtain pharmacist licensure by October 31st of the residency year. This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking-related information from any residency applicant.

Application deadline: December 19, 2022

Interview Notification Date: No later than January 20, 2023

You will need to apply separately to the PGY1 pharmacy residency programs.

Letter of intent (no longer than 2 pages, minimum 11 font and 1 inch margins) should address 1) why you are interested in our residency program, 2) both short-term and long-term goals, 3) a significant challenge that you encountered in your academic, personal or professional career to date and 4) a success you've seen in either a clinical or educational setting welcoming diversity and/or inclusion and upholding equity.

Current **curriculum vitae** should include details of rotation activities, including future rotations, and any teaching or community service activities. At least one of your letters of recommendation must be from a preceptor with whom you have had a clinical rotation.

PGY1 Pharmacy Residency with Ambulatory Care Electives (NMS Code 188321)

Two positions are reserved each year for residents who desire more experience in the ambulatory care setting. Residents choosing ambulatory care electives will complete the same core, required rotations as other PGY1 pharmacy residents at VA San Francisco but will also complete a 12 week longitudinal experience in additional ambulatory care clinics in lieu of other elective rotations. Applicants must apply separately to this program using the NMS code listed above.

Possible clinics include: Anticoagulation Clinic, Primary Care Clinics, Liver Clinic, Infectious Diseases Clinic, Home Based Primary Care, Geriatrics Clinic, Epilepsy Clinic, Pain Management, Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder Clinic, Substance Use Disorder Clinic.

PGY1 Pharmacy Residency with Geriatrics Electives (NMS Code 188322)

One position is reserved each year for a resident who desires more experience in Geriatrics. The resident choosing Geriatrics electives will complete the same core, required rotations as other PGY1 pharmacy residents at VA San Francisco but will also complete 12 weeks in Geriatric rotations in lieu of other elective rotations. Applicants must apply separately to this program using the NMS code listed above.

Geriatric elective rotations include: Mobile Acute Care for the Elders (MACE) Consult Team, Geriatric Long Term Care, Home Based Primary Care, Geriatric Clinic, Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder Clinic, Epilepsy Clinic.

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MISSION To embrace and celebrate diversity in an inclusive community, where Veterans and employees are fully engaged and valued.

Program Purpose

Postgraduate year one (PGY1) pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) 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.

San Francisco VA Health Care System PGY1 Programs

The ASHP-accredited Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency Programs at San Francisco VA Health Care System (SFVAHCS) provide residents with broad practice foundation concentrating on clinical and teaching experience. The programs require a 12-month commitment to training and are customized to the individual needs of the resident. Significant professional experience in health-system pharmacy practice will be gained during this program.

The goal of the PGY1 residency programs at the SFVAHCS is to train practitioners to utilize their accumulated experiences and knowledge to improve patient's drug therapy and to excel in their future professional endeavors. The resident will gain experience in a variety of areas, including ambulatory care, acute care, formulary management and operations.

PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program Structure (NMS Code 188313)

Residents participate in a core program which provides a concentrated clinical, teaching, and administrative experience with experienced, individualized preceptorship. Residents complete a required teaching certificate and also participate in lean process improvement (Yellow Belt) training as part of their longitudinal residency project.

Required rotations include:

- Acute Care (6 weeks) - Internal Medicine
- Ambulatory Care Clinics (Primary Care and other clinics, 6 weeks)
- Emergency Medical Response (code blue and acute stroke pager) and Simulation—during acute care rotation
- Inpatient Pharmacy/Discharge Operations & Longitudinal Staffing
- Formulary Management & Chief Resident
- Teaching Certificate Program
- Drug Regimen Reviews for Long-term Care
- Intro to Medication Safety: Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting and ISMP
- Quality Improvement Project Development/Yellow Belt Training
- EdPACT/Population Health

Elective rotations include:

- Advanced Internal Medicine
- Critical Care
- Infectious Diseases Consult Team
- Inpatient Anticoagulation
- Geriatrics/Long-term Care
- Medication Safety
- Oncology/Infusion Center
- Pain Management
- Pharmacy Administration
- Surgery
- Substance Use Disorder Clinic

Education in Patient Aligned Care Teams at SFVAHCS (EdPACT)

All PGY1 residents actively participate in the EdPACT program (approximately 20% of time over the year), which promotes a patient-centered, interprofessional learning environment. Residents engage with other trainees throughout the year in team activities which include:

- Weekly team huddles
- Population health management
- Collaborative case conferences
- Quality improvement initiatives
- Retreats and social activities

Conferences

Residents may be granted administrative leave to attend the following meetings:

- California Society of Health System Pharmacists (CSHP) Seminar
- American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP) Midyear Clinical Meeting
- Western States Residency Conference

Residents are required to attend Western States and present their year-long project. Attendance at residency Open Houses and showcases are encouraged to help with recruitment. Based on annual budget, VA San Francisco may also support registration funding for residents at recruitment events.

Teaching Certificate Program

Residents will participate in a longitudinal teaching certificate program. The program includes preceptor development conferences, presentations, and development of a teaching philosophy. Residents will serve as primary preceptors for IPPE students during the year.