



HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY RESIDENCY: INFORMATION ON RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

The University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics, in conjunction with the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy, offers a one-year specialty hematology/oncology residency. The focus of the residency program is adult hematology and oncology, with experiences in bone marrow transplantation and ambulatory oncology practice settings. Multiple professional writing and research opportunities are available during the course of the year. Graduates of the program are expected to have the knowledge, skills, and ability to function at a high level in an interdisciplinary environment practicing in the area of acute care and ambulatory care adult hematology/oncology and/or stem cell transplant settings.

Practice Areas

The residency program is tailored to the interests and the career goals of each resident. A variety of established practice settings are available throughout the University of North Carolina Hospitals. The resident's rotation schedule is determined at the beginning of the year with a core set of required rotations consisting of the following:

Residency Orientation	1 month (July)
Adult Hematologic Malignancy Inpatient Service	2 months
Adult Oncology Inpatient Service	1 month
Adult BMT (Inpatient or Outpatient)	1 month
Coagulation Consult Service	1 month
Adult Oncology Ambulatory Care	2 months
Research Rotation	1 month (Dec)

Elective rotations are designed to receive training in areas of interest. Any of the above listed rotations may be used as elective rotations. Listed below are some other elective rotations available:

- Adult Bone Marrow Transplantation Inpatient or Clinic
- Gynecological Oncology
- Inpatient Palliative Care Consult Service
- Infectious Diseases Consult Service
- Nutrition
- Pediatric Oncology
- Radiation Oncology

Additional Activities

Residency Research Project

The resident is expected to participate in a project that enhances the following learning objectives: developing criteria, seeking approval of the criteria from the medical staff, collecting and summarizing data, analyzing results and presenting the findings. To fulfill the requirement, each resident must complete a pharmacotherapy project which has to be in a publishable form. It is strongly encouraged for the

resident to present the results at the Annual ASCO or HOPA Meeting or a suitable alternative.

Teaching Responsibilities

Each resident will earn an appointment with the UNC School of Pharmacy as a Clinical Instructor. Teaching experiences are integrated with patient care experiences. Residents will assist with precepting Doctor of Pharmacy candidates on clinical rotation. Teaching Pharmacy Skills Laboratory (or suitable alternative) and participation in Pharmacotherapy lectures in the Hematology/Oncology Module or Elective Course are required during the course of the year.

Seminars and Professional Meetings

Each resident is expected to attend the Hematology Oncology Pharmacist Association Annual Meeting (Spring) and the ASHP Mid-Year Clinical Meeting (December). Financial compensation will be provided for these educational experiences. Financial compensation may also be provided for additional meetings, including the ACCP Meeting (Fall), and ASCO Meeting (Spring). Participation in resident poster sessions is encouraged at these meetings.

Each resident may attend a weekly case conference where fellow residents and students will present current data on various topics to an audience consisting of faculty and clinical specialists. During the year, each resident will present a one-hour ACPE-approved seminar. The ACPE-approved presentation is held in the evening and is open for the public to attend.

Pharmacy Operations Responsibilities

Residents will receive training and orientation to the department's services during the first month of the program. Pharmacy operations responsibilities average approximately 32 hours/month which is equivalent to every third weekend and 15 weekday staffing days per year. Activities include, but are not limited to, staffing the chemotherapy satellite, providing pharmacokinetic consults, answering in-depth drug information questions, attending codes, providing patient education and solving pharmacotherapeutic issues.

Each resident is required to become a licensed pharmacist in the state of North Carolina. The North Carolina State board of Pharmacy examination is given twice each year (January and June). Reciprocity examinations are held on odd months (January, March, etc.)

Benefits

The residency offers a competitive salary, health insurance and time for vacation and professional travel. Individual health insurance is provided through the UNC Hospital's Graduate Medicine Office and the UNC Hospitals provide comprehensive malpractice insurance for all residents at no charge. Each resident will be given 10 days of vacation leave for the entire year, none of which can be taken in the last 2 weeks of the program. Five personal days are provided for the resident to attend professional meetings beyond the program expectations and conduct interviews. The residents also have 6 holidays that are observed by the hospital throughout the year.

Qualifications

Applicants must possess a Doctor of Pharmacy degree and have completed an ASHP accredited residency in pharmacy practice (PGY1) or an equivalent level of training in hospital pharmacy practice. Applicants without these qualifications will be reviewed on an individual basis to determine the adequacy of their clinical experience.

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