



PGY2 – INFECTIOUS DISEASES SPECIALTY RESIDENCY

The University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics, in conjunction with the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy, offers a one-year specialty residency in infectious diseases. The residency program is accredited by ASHP. The focus of the residency program is the pharmacotherapy and provision of pharmaceutical care related to infectious diseases. The resident will have the opportunity to gain clinical, research, and teaching experience in infectious diseases.

The residency provides eleven or twelve rotations, depending upon the resident's previous experience within UNC Hospitals. Infectious diseases patient care rotations include the adult infectious diseases consult service, the infectious diseases (HIV) clinic, and the infectious diseases ward service. A non-direct patient care rotation is also accomplished within the Hospital's microbiology laboratory. Elective opportunities include solid organ transplantation, bone marrow transplantation, and critical care medicine and surgery. Teaching opportunities to pharmacy students and pharmacy practice residents are available in pharmaceutical care laboratories, pharmacy course presentations, and on clinical rotations. The resident will also gain experience in reviewing medical literature and conducting research projects.

Residency Preceptors:

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Lindsay Daniels, PharmD, BCPS (Infectious Diseases Ward Service)
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Practice Areas

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

Adult Infectious Diseases Consult Service	2-4 months
Infectious Diseases (HIV) Clinic	1-2 months and longitudinal
Adult Infectious Diseases Ward (Medicine) Service	2-4 months
Microbiology Laboratory	1 month
Research	1 month
Elective Rotations	2 months

Elective rotations are designed to broaden the resident's experience in different patient populations with unique problems related to infectious diseases. Elective rotations include:

Bone Marrow Transplant	Pulmonary Medicine
Burn Intensive Care	Solid Organ Transplant
Medicine Intensive Care	Surgical/Trauma Intensive Care
Oncology	

Additional Activities

Residency Research Project

The resident is expected to participate in a project that fulfills the following learning objectives: developing criteria, seeking approval of the criteria from the pharmacy and/or medical staff, collecting and summarizing data, analyzing results and presenting the findings. To fulfill this requirement, the resident must complete an infectious diseases pharmacotherapy project and an antimicrobial drug use evaluation, one of which must be completed in a publishable form. The results of this project are presented at the Southeastern Resident's Conference in May. In addition, the resident is strongly encouraged to present the results of one of these projects at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, or the MAD-ID Annual Conference.



Teaching Responsibilities

Each resident will earn an appointment with the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy as a Clinical Instructor. Residents are required to participate as a teaching assistant for Pharmacy Skills Lab for both Fall and Spring Semesters. This class is directed toward second or third year pharmacy students. Teaching experiences are also integrated with patient care experiences. Residents will assist with precepting pharmacy students on clinical rotations. Opportunities to lead recitation sessions and participate in didactic lectures are encouraged during the course of the year.

Seminars and Professional Meetings

Each resident is encouraged to attend the NCAP Annual Carolina Seminar, ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, and the Southeastern Resident's Conference. However, the availability of funds for residency travel may impact on the ability of the resident to attend all of these meetings. Financial support may also be negotiated for additional meetings including ICAAC/IDSA and the MAD-ID annual meeting.

Each resident will attend a weekly seminar where fellow residents and students will present current data on various topics to an audience consisting of faculty and clinical specialists. During the fall semester, all residents will present one 20-minute seminar on either a pharmacotherapy topic or a new medication. During the spring semester, each resident will present a 20-minute case presentation. In addition, each resident is required to present a one-hour ACPE-approved presentation during the year. The ACPE-approved presentations are held in the evenings and are open for the public to attend.

Pharmacy Practice Responsibilities

Residents will receive training and orientation to the department's services during the first few weeks of the program. Pharmacy practice responsibilities consist of three 1-week staffing blocks over the course of the residency year and every third weekend. These responsibilities include, but are not limited to, verifying medication orders, providing pharmacokinetic consults, answering in-depth drug information requests, attending all codes as the pharmacy member of the code team, providing patient education and solving pharmacotherapeutic situations as they may arise. Residents will also participate in the after-hours pharmacy clinical on-call program.

Benefits

Insurance

Individual health insurance is provided. UNC Hospitals provides comprehensive malpractice insurance for all residents at no charge; however, this does not preclude the resident from obtaining individual professional liability insurance.

Vacation/Holidays

Each resident will be given 15 days of paid time off (PTO) for the entire year, none of which can be taken in the last 2 weeks of the program. These days include all vacation, sick leave, interview days, and meeting attendance beyond the two meetings per year that are built into the residency expectations.

Qualifications

Applicants must possess a Doctor of Pharmacy degree and must have completed an ASHP accredited residency in pharmacy practice. Applicants without these qualifications will be reviewed on an individual basis to determine the adequacy of their clinical experience. Each resident is required to become a licensed pharmacist in the state of North Carolina.

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