



PGY-2 Psychiatry Specialty Residency

This ASHP-accredited specialty residency in Psychiatry is a one year post-doctoral training program that fosters the development of expert skills and competencies in the practice of psychiatric pharmacy. The resident will gain experience in clinical, teaching, and research activities in an inpatient and outpatient setting servicing psychiatric patients.

Practice Areas

The primary site for the residency is the UNC Neurosciences Hospital with 76 inpatient psychiatric beds that comprise several different patient populations as follows:

- Acute Psychotic Unit
- Geropsychiatry Unit
- Eating Disorders Unit
- Crisis Unit
- Child Psychiatry Unit
- Adolescent Psychiatry Unit
- Peripartum Unit

Additional inpatient opportunities exist with other outside institutions in the area. The ambulatory experience will be obtained longitudinally through rotations in the UNC Diagnostic and Treatment Clinic (ADTC) or Schizophrenia Treatment Evaluation Program (STEP) clinics. The interdisciplinary team includes health care professionals from a variety of disciplines, including psychiatry, pharmacy, nursing, occupational therapy, recreational therapy, and social work.

The residency program is tailored to the interests and career goals of each resident. The resident's rotation schedule is determined at the beginning of the year with a core program consisting of the following:

- Adult Psychotic Disorders
- Ambulatory Care (longitudinal)
- Geriatric Psychiatry
- Psychiatric Consult Liaison
- Child and Adolescent Psychiatry
- Neurology

Three elective rotations are permitted or the resident may choose to repeat any extra months of the core rotations listed above. Elective rotations are listed below:

- Crisis/Substance Abuse
- Eating Disorders
- Women's Mental Health
- Academia
- General Medicine in a State Psychiatric Facility
- Pain/Primary Care Clinic

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 of which is prepared in manuscript form suitable for publishing. It is strongly encouraged for the resident to present the results at the Annual Meeting of College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists.

Teaching Responsibilities

Each resident will earn an appointment with the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy as a Clinical Instructor.

- Required Teaching:
 - Pharmaceutical Skills Laboratory for UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy
 - Co-precept for students and pharmacy practice residents
 - Present a didactic lecture to pharmacy students via the Psychiatry/Neurology Module

- Other Opportunities:
 - Facilitate recitation sessions
 - Participate in the Psychiatry Intern Lecture Series

Seminars and Professional Meetings

Each resident is expected to attend the Annual Meeting of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists (April.) ASHP Mid-Year Clinical Meeting (December) and the Southeastern Resident's Conference (spring) are optional and dependent upon the needs of the resident and program. Financial compensation may be provided for these educational experiences. Participation in resident poster sessions is encouraged at these meetings.

Pharmacy Practice Responsibilities

Residents will receive training and orientation to the department's services during the first month of the program.

- Required Staffing:
 - Block staffing periods of 3 weeks total dispersed throughout the resident's year.
 - Weekends: Approximately every third weekend

Activities include, but are not limited to, staffing, providing pharmacokinetic consults, answering in-depth drug information questions, attending codes (for at least one month), providing patient education and solving pharmacotherapeutic issues. The resident is also required to be "out-of-house" on call while staffing weekdays and 3-4 weekends per year.

Benefits

The specialty residency in Psychiatry is a one-year program beginning in July 1 and ending June 30. It offers an annual stipend, ten vacation days, and five professional days. Individual health insurance is provided through the UNC Hospitals' Graduate Medical Office. UNC Hospitals provides comprehensive malpractice insurance for all residents at no charge.

Qualifications

Interested candidates must have completed a Doctor of Pharmacy program from an ACPE accredited school or college of pharmacy, an ASHP accredited pharmacy practice (PGY-1) residency and be eligible to practice pharmacy in North Carolina. North Carolina Board of Pharmacy licensure is required. The North Carolina State board of Pharmacy examination is given twice each year (January and June). Reciprocity is available for all states except for California. Details regarding North Carolina licensure can be found at www.ncbop.org. An on-site interview is required.

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