

Maurice Alexander

PGY2 Hematology/Oncology Specialty Resident

Undergrad: The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Transitions of Care in Bone Marrow Transplant: Provider and Patient Perceptions of Pharmacists' Impact

“Distinguished clinicians, a daily challenge, and a wide breadth of experiences are all reasons why I originally came to, and remained at, UNCH. The energy that the program invests in training residents clearly reflects its commitment to producing clinicians that excel. As I, and my co-residents, progress through our careers and work to place our own unique fingerprints on the profession, I will remain proud to say that what we all share is our experience at UNC.”



Megan Allen

PGY2 Pediatrics Specialty Resident

Undergrad: Wilkes University

PharmD: Wilkes University

PGY1: Lancaster General Hospital in Lancaster, PA

Research Project: Caffeine Therapy for the Management of Apnea of Prematurity

“UNC is a fantastic place to complete a residency because of the patient-focused care, the limitless research/teaching opportunities, and the genuine leadership and mentorship. UNC offers residents the perfect balance of challenging opportunities and support to be able to grow and succeed. It’s exciting to work with preceptors



Jamie Cavanaugh

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Specialty Resident

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: Durham VAMC, Durham, NC

Research Project: Testing the reliability of a framework to assess medication-related problems in older adults

“Returning to UNC to complete a specialty in Ambulatory Care was an easy decision for me. The preceptors are excellent to work with and push me to achieve things I never thought possible. The strong relationship between UNC Healthcare and the Eshelman School of Pharmacy provides ample opportunities to mentor students, serve as a preceptor, and teach within the school of pharmacy. Finally, the strong interdisciplinary relationships between clinical pharmacists and other members of the healthcare team have created a progressive ambulatory care atmosphere in which to provide pharmacy services. I honestly could not ask for a better place to complete my PGY2.”



Eric Chow

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Safety of an Outpatient Monitoring Protocol for Patients Receiving High Dose Methotrexate at a University Teaching Hospital

“The residency program at UNCH has a great tradition of training well rounded residents. There are so many opportunities for learning, research, and teaching. Lastly, there's just something special about being part of the Carolina Family.”



Jonathan Cicci

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergraduate: The Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University

PharmD: The Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers University

Research Project: Readmission rates to the UNCH neurology service for new stroke symptoms in patients status-post stroke and discharged on aspirin 325 mg, clopidogrel 75 mg, or twice-daily aspirin-dipyridamole 25/200 mg

“I think UNC’s pharmacy department is one of the best in the country, and I can’t possibly imagine a better institution in which to practice pharmacy. The other members of the healthcare team rely heavily upon the pharmacy staff, and there are numerous opportunities each day to positively impact patient care. Further, I think the residency program does a great job of tailoring learning experiences to each resident’s personal needs, and the directors, preceptors, and mentors are heavily invested in the individual development of each resident. The program offers a variety of unique learning opportunities, and provides a great combination of guidance, support, and autonomy, enabling residents to develop both professionally and personally. “



Ilya Danelich

PGY2 Cardiology Specialty Resident

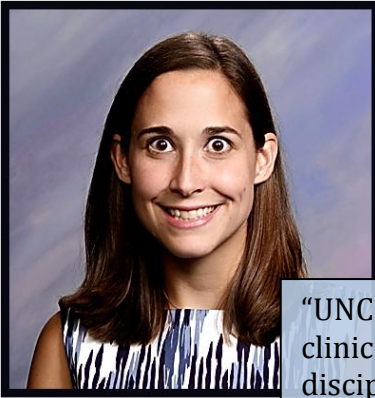
Undergrad: University of Minnesota

PharmD: University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy

PGY1: North Memorial Medical Center, Minneapolis, MN

Research Project: The Influence of Beta Blocker Therapy on the Hemodynamic Response to Inotrope Infusion in Patients with Acute Decompensated Heart Failure

“The program’s breadth of rotation experiences, strong research presence, and ample teaching opportunities combined with a focus on mentorship and long history of training clinical specialists was impressive and intriguing to me.”



Suzanne Francart

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: The Pennsylvania State University

PharmD: Virginia Commonwealth University School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Caffeine therapy for the management of apnea of prematurity

“UNC offers incredible opportunities to work with and learn from outstanding clinicians who are dedicated to providing first-rate patient care as part of a multi-disciplinary team. The program has an equally strong focus on education, teaching, mentorship and research, all of which are instrumental in resident development. The people here are what make this program special and I feel extremely fortunate to be part of the UNC family.”



Emily Hawes

PGY2 Pharmacotherapy Specialty Resident

Undergrad: Samford University

PharmD: Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: A prospective pharmacokinetic study of Dabigatran using peak and trough coagulation test results in patients on therapeutic doses of Dabigatran

“The high-quality, patient-focused care, the supportive and team-focused environment, the great balance of guidance and autonomy from preceptors, the unique teaching, research, and outreach opportunities for residents, the strong emphasis on mentorship and education, and the way pharmacists are respected and valued in the institution set the UNC program apart. Serving as a UNC resident is helping prepare me to be a better leader, practitioner, educator, and preceptor. I feel honored to be part of the UNC family and to train at an academic medical center with a world-class reputation and distinguished pharmacy residency program.”



Jake Holler

PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: Grand Valley State University

PharmD: The University of Michigan College of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Development of a model for evaluation of most viable ambulatory care clinic for pharmacist integration.

“UNC has a great reputation earned from the hard work of their clinical leaders. I came here to gain from them a strong clinical foundation for credibility and understanding as a future administrator.”



Caitlin Hughes

PGY2 Psychiatry Specialty Resident

Undergrad: The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

Research Project: A retrospective evaluation of *Lactobacillus bulgaricus* in the treatment of Anorexia Nervosa

“I chose to return to the University of North Carolina for my specialty residency because of the amazing opportunities and mentors. UNC’s vision for the future of pharmacy and constantly evolving approach to practice are innovative and exciting. UNC offers a unique experience, specifically in my area of interest. It is rare to find a program that offers such a wide variety of psychiatric rotations, preceptors and teaching experiences.”



Sarah Hutfilz

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: Capital University, Columbus Ohio

PharmD: The Ohio State University

Research Project: A review of the practice of providing opioids for continuation of maintenance treatment to patients with a history of opioid addiction admitted to University of North Carolina Hospitals.

“The diversity of experiences offered, freedom to tailor the residency to the individual’s professional goals, emphasis on mentorship, and relationship with the Eshelman School of Pharmacy all drew me to the program at UNC. It is a pleasure to be a part of a program that is so committed to innovating the practice of pharmacy and to the development of new practitioners.”



Bethany Kalich

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: Texas A&M University

PharmD: University of the Incarnate Word

Research Project: Assessment of a 3 factor prothrombin complex concentrate product in achieving hemostasis in warfarin associated Intracranial Hemorrhage

“UNC has a great reputation for offering residents a challenging learning environment in a teaching-focused atmosphere. During my time here, I have additionally come to appreciate the balance of guidance and autonomy from mentors and preceptors, and their enthusiasm to share their knowledge in an effort to give me every opportunity to grow and succeed as a future leader, practitioner, educator and preceptor. It is wonderful to be surrounded by people that truly care about your success.”



Matt Lamm

PGY1 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Preventing deep-vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism in acute ischemic stroke patients: assessing the use of heparin versus enoxaparin for prophylactic anticoagulation

"Working as a technician at UNC while being a student pharmacist at the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy, I was fortunate to learn from some of the best clinical pharmacists in the nation. As a future administrator, I applied to the UNC residency program because I wanted to experience the best of both clinical and administrative rotations. The UNC residency program will help me become both a better practitioner and leader for the profession of pharmacy. Go Heels!!!"



Kelly Martin

PGY2 Infectious Disease Specialty Resident

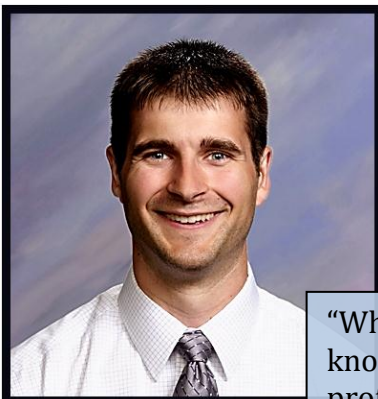
Undergrad: Cornell University

PharmD: University of Maryland - Baltimore

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Evaluation of voriconazole therapeutic drug monitoring in an academic medical center

"I applied to the UNC residency program for the experienced preceptors and the excellent reputation. In the subsequent months since joining the program I've found that it offers so much more - becoming a part of the UNC family, interacting with mentors that are leaders in their practice areas, and being given every opportunity to grow and succeed."



Ryan Moore

PGY1 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: University of Nebraska - Lincoln

PharmD: University of Nebraska Medical Center

Research Project: Evaluation of Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant Recipient Readmissions: Opportunities for Pharmacist Intervention

"When considering residencies I was looking for a program that was progressive, known for clinical excellence, and could grow me both personally and professionally. I found all these qualities at The University of North Carolina Hospital's residency. Since arriving this past summer I have been astonished by the tremendous opportunities to participate in innovation in pharmacy practice and programs."



Benyam Muluneh

PGY 2 Hematology/Oncology Specialty Resident

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Factors affecting adherence to oral antineoplastic agents in breast cancer, chronic myelogenous leukemia and metastatic renal cell carcinoma.

“I was drawn to UNC’s program because the variety of available experiences will give me exposure to the full breadth of clinical pharmacy, while also providing me with incredible teaching and research opportunities. I know from the experiences of previous residents, whom have gone as far as Kenya to set up healthcare services, that UNC’s commitment to patient care truly has no boundaries. Furthermore, the structured mentorship program has been a great asset thus far, and I am excited to continue my career with the guidance that this program provides. There is truly no other program as progressive or as nurturing as the one at UNC.”



Brian Murray

PGY2 Critical Care Specialty Resident

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Effect of the elimination of aspirin from Left Ventricular Assist Device post-implantation anticoagulation protocols

“I have been with UNC since my time as an undergraduate student. For me, it is a place that I am proud to call home. The strength of the clinical training, the commitment to mentorship, and the desire to promote growth in the profession of pharmacy and residency training are why I am here - the spirit of the UNC family, however, is why I will always feel like a part of this program.”



Nicole Nicolsen

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Finding an optimal dose adjustment strategy for vancomycin: Non-patient specific dose adjustment vs patient specific dose adjustment

“The extensive mentorship from renowned clinical specialists, wide selection of rotations, abundance of teaching opportunities, and affiliation with one of the top schools of pharmacy in the country really set the UNC residency program above the rest. This progressive institution is always on the cutting edge of pharmacy practice and consistently produces exceptional clinicians, leaders, and educators. The opportunities at UNC are endless and the people are amazing!



Jeff Reichard

PGY1 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: Auburn University

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Implementation of a Perpetual Inventory

“As a student pharmacist at the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy, I knew that UNC Hospitals is recognized nationally for its leaders in pharmacy, defining practice models, and its research. It is exciting to learn from and be mentored by these individuals as well as take part in innovative projects. As a Masters’ resident it is equally incredible to take classes through the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health and the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy.”



Allison Reindeau

PGY2 Geriatrics Specialty Resident

Undergrad: St. Mary’s College of Maryland

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Hospital, Madison, WI

Research Project: Describing the Impact of Clinical Pharmacist Intervention to Improve Adherence Rates in Older Adults

“The first thing that drew me to UNC was the opportunity and privilege of working with my residency director, Jena Burkhart, who has been a role model and mentor for me throughout my pharmacy career, especially while I was a student at UNC. It was during my interview that I discovered the emphasis UNC places on family both within the workplace and in the home, and that made a deep impression on me. In addition, I knew that the education and training I would receive here at UNC would help set me apart from my colleagues as I continue to pursue my career goals.”



Lauren Samford

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: Auburn University

PharmD: Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy

Research Project: Dosing and safety of warfarin in patients with chronic kidney disease

“UNC was distinguished by its emphasis on mentorship, the atmosphere of the “UNC Family,” the enthusiasm within the pharmacy department, and the strength of its relationship with the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy.”



Carolyn Sharpe

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

PharmD: University of Illinois at Chicago

Research Project: Retrospective Assessment of Liposomal Doxorubicin Infusion Reactions in Non-Gynecological Solid Tumor Patients Treated at UNC Cancer Hospital

"I was drawn to the diverse rotational experiences available at UNC and the opportunity to train under the guidance of strong preceptors and mentors. I was also impressed by the close connection between the hospital and the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy and the teaching opportunities that this afforded."



Kelly Sullivan

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Resident

Undergrad: University of Connecticut

PharmD: University of Connecticut School of Pharmacy

Research Project: The incidence of gastrointestinal bleeding in mechanically ventilated patients receiving enteral nutrition in the Neurosciences Intensive Care Unit

"I chose to pursue residency training at UNCH because of the wide variety of clinical rotations available, the progressive nature of pharmacy practice, and the teaching and precepting opportunities afforded through the affiliation with UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy. In addition, being part of such a large program has made the transition away from home easier. My 24 co-residents have become 24 of my closest friends."



Ian Willoughby

PGY2 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: Davidson College

PharmD: UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy

PGY1: University of North Carolina Hospitals and Clinics

Research Project: Formulary optimization for a pharmacist-driven medication therapy management program

"Having experienced the rigorous demands of UNC preceptors as a student, I feel incredibly fortunate that I have been able to continue growing as a practitioner via the residency program. Preceptors within this program go out of their way to provide high level teaching without compromising excellent patient care and this commitment really shines through. In addition to deeply valuing the education and mentorship I receive at UNC, I am excited to be a part of UNC's commitment to leading pharmacy practice as innovative research opportunities are continually available."



Adam Wolfe

PGY1 Health System Pharmacy Practice Administration/MS

Undergrad: University of Utah

PharmD: University of Utah Skaggs College of Pharmacy

Research Project: Evaluating user compliance with the smart pump drug library and infusion programming errors for select continuous infusion medications

“Deciding where to do my residency was a difficult decision. I was seeking a practice setting that shared the same high quality of professionalism and caliber of pharmacy practice that I experienced in Utah but would also challenge me to grow in a diverse environment. While interviewing at UNC Hospitals I felt accepted, calm and I knew they would work with me on my weaknesses while recognizing my strengths. Overall I am very pleased that I matched to UNCH and am thoroughly enjoying my time in training here.”