**General Information**

**Duration:** 12 months  
**Number of Positions:** 3 (general), 1 (MH), 1 (RH)  
**Starting Date:** June 24th (flexible)  
**Estimated Stipend:** $44,413  
**Benefits:** vacation, holiday and sick leave; eligibility for federal employee health and life insurance; travel support varies each year  
**Model (type):** Teaching, Tertiary  
**Total Beds:** 273 acute care & 104 community living center

**Conferences**
Residents may attend:  
- ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting  
- Midwest Pharmacy Residents’ Conference  
- MSHP Meeting(s)

**Application Requirements**

1. Letter of Intent  
2. Curriculum Vitae  
3. Academic Transcripts from College of Pharmacy  
4. PhORCAS Standardized Recommendation Form submitted by 3 references  
5. Supplemental Essay

Submit required materials via PhORCAS by: **January 5 of Selection Year**

Additional information may be found via the program website: [www.minneapolis.va.gov/education/Pharmacy/pharmacy.asp](http://www.minneapolis.va.gov/education/Pharmacy/pharmacy.asp)

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Minneapolis VA Health Care System

MVAHCS is one of the ten largest VA medical centers in the country, serving more than 100,000 veterans in a six-state area of the upper Midwest. Our facility is a teaching hospital affiliated with the colleges of medicine and pharmacy at the University of Minnesota, and provides a full range of patient care services with state-of-the-art technology, educational resources, and research. Comprehensive health care is provided through primary care, specialty care, and long-term care in areas of medicine, surgery, psychiatry, neurology, oncology, and geriatrics.

Pharmacy Services

More than 100 pharmacists play a vital role in the delivery of patient care; working as a team with physicians, nurses and other health care practitioners to ensure America’s veterans receive the finest care. Pharmacists routinely interact one-on-one with patients providing consultation and guidance on the use of medications through an independent scope of practice. VA Pharmacists fully utilize their skills and knowledge in their daily practice.

Twin Cities, MN

The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area has a combined population of over 2.4 million. The Twin Cities are nationally recognized for their arts, most notable are the Guthrie Theater, Minnesota Orchestra, Minneapolis Institute of Art, Science Museum and the Walker Art Center. The Mall of America is minutes from both the MSP airport and the VA Medical Center. Recreational activities span the four seasons and we are home to five professional sports team: Twins, Vikings, Timberwolves, Wild, and St. Paul Saints.

Residency Program Overview

This post-graduate year one (PGY-1) Pharmacy Residency program is one of the first accredited residency programs with over 50 years of continuous accreditation by ASHP. This program provides a comprehensive year of education and experience with an emphasis on direct patient centered care, interprofessional team development and medication optimization. Core rotations offer a variety of experiences in both inpatient and ambulatory care settings.

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency

Required rotations for the PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency include: 6 weeks of orientation, 13 weeks of acute care, 13 weeks of ambulatory care, and 5 weeks in geriatrics. Eight weeks is allotted for electives in interest areas or extensions of core rotations. Residents are highly involved within all areas of pharmacy practice at MVAHCS.

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency (Mental Health Track)

The Mental Health Track Resident completes the same required rotations as the PGY-1 Pharmacy Residents with electives focusing on mental health. The resident works closely with the PGY-2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Resident and is a member of the Serious Mental Illness team.

Current Residents

Top Row (from left to right): Josh Brockbank, Kevin Nauwerdink, Jenny Bolduc (RPD), Andrea Hegland
Bottom Row: Jordan Michaels, Lissette Martinez, Annette Do, Meagan Gartner

Residency Experiences

- ACLS/BLS certification
- Active participation in the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee
- Diverse opportunities in patient care - Mental Health, Pain, Dialysis, Rheumatology
- Drug information service
- In-services, journal club, CE presentations
- Newsletter publisher
- Plan, design, and perform one major residency project
- Precepting & mentoring pharmacy students

Required Longitudinal Experiences

- Administration
- Patient Care Panel
- Project Management
- Professional Service
- Staffing (weekend and weeknights once monthly)

Electives Offered

- Addiction Recovery Services (ARS)
- Advanced Acute Care or Ambulatory Care
- Ambulatory Care Specialty
- Anticoagulation
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Home Based Primary Care
- Informatics
- Inpatient Psychiatry
- Interprofessional Education with Serious Mental Illness team, Geriatrics or Medicine Clinic
- Oncology
- Pain Management
- Serious Mental Illness - Outpatient
- Traumatic Brain Injury & Polytrauma Center
- Women's Health