VA North Texas Health Care System

The Veterans Affairs North Texas Health Care System (VANTHCS) consists of four campuses including the Dallas VAMC, Sam Rayburn Memorial Hospital in Bonham, Fort Worth Outpatient Clinic, and Tyler Outpatient Clinic. The Dallas VAMC serves as a major training center for many health professionals.

The Dallas VAMC provides patient care services, conducts clinical research in many inpatient and outpatient specialty areas, and draws patients from all over the nation. The Dallas VAMC campus includes a 500-bed inpatient facility and encounters one million outpatient visits annually. Pharmacy and the VANTHCS have state of the art robotics and medical information systems. Pharmacy Service is progressive and growing and includes over 40 clinical pharmacy specialists who provide pharmacy services in a variety of specialty areas. There is ample opportunity for advanced practice pharmacists to develop innovative and advanced patient care practices in collaboration with the medical staff at this federal facility.



Texas Tech School of Pharmacy

The Texas Tech School of Pharmacy was established by the Texas Legislature in 1993 and is part of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. Founded upon the idealism that tomorrow's pharmacists must be independent thinking and technologically advanced, all education and training utilize problem-based learning techniques with a strong emphasis on computer literacy. All course materials are maintained on the school's World Wide Web servers. The main campus for the school of pharmacy is in Amarillo and has a state of the art facility with high tech, online classrooms. Regional campuses are in Abilene, Dallas/Ft Worth, and Lubbock.

The Dallas/Fort Worth Regional campus was established in 1999, and has two sites. One resides on the Dallas VAMC campus and the other is within the central Dallas Medical District. Approximately 12 full-time and over 40 adjunct clinical faculty as well as 4 distance learning classrooms in DFW support the education and training of more than 200 students in their last 2 years of pharmacy school and 5 PGY1 and 7 PGY2 residents. Residents are actively involved in didactic and clinical teaching and helping facilitate PharmD students in acquiring problem-based learning skills.



VA North Texas Health Care System and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy Dallas/Fort Worth Regional Campus



Dallas, Texas

PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency and PGY2 Specialty Residencies





Residency Programs Available

- PGY1 (1yr program)
 Program Director:
 Christyn Mullen-Lee, PharmD, BCACP
- Ambulatory Care PGY2 (1yr program) Program Director:
 Lisa Chastain, PharmD, BCACP
- Infectious Disease PGY2 (1yr program) Program Director: Tomasz Z. Jodlowski, PharmD, BCPS (AQ-ID), AAHIVP
- Geriatrics PGY2 (1yr program)
 Program Director:
 Amie Blaszczyk, PharmD, CGP, FASCP
- Mental Health PGY2 (1yr program)
 Program Director:
 Monica Mathys, PharmD, CGP, BCPP

Pharmacy residents are based at the Dallas VAMC and are affiliated with the Texas Tech School of Pharmacy. There is ample opportunity to be involved in patient care, education, management, and research. Residents are required to complete a research project, present at a regional meeting, and prepare a manuscript suitable for journal publication by the end of the residency.

Purpose:

The residency training program is predicated on the knowledge, attitudes, skills, and abilities required for well-rounded health-system pharmacy practice. The objective of the residency-training program is to prepare each individual pharmacist to face the challenges of their chosen areas of interest in contemporary health-system pharmacy practice. Clinical pharmacy practice areas of program strength include training in adult acute care and ambulatory care.

Requirements

- Graduate of an accredited school of pharmacy (with GPA of 3.0 or higher)
- Hold an active pharmacy license or be eligible for licensure
- Candidates for any Specialty Residency must have completed a PGY1 Residency
- Candidates for the PGY1 Residency must be a U.S. citizen

Application Requirements

- ♦ PGY1 applications due Dec 31, 2017
- PGY2 applications due Jan 6, 2018
- The following application materials should be uploaded to PhORCAS:
 - o Three letters of reference
 - Letter of Intent
 - o Curriculum Vitae
 - Pharmacy School Transcripts

Salary and Benefits

The annual stipend is \$43,000 - \$47,000. Benefits include 10 days of vacation, several paid federal holidays, sick leave, a health care benefit package, and an appointment as an Assistant Instructor at the Texas Tech School of Pharmacy.

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