Parkland Health & Hospital System

Parkland Health & Hospital System is located in downtown Dallas and is a 862-bed facility consisting of a Level 1 trauma center. Psychiatric services provided by Parkland include psychiatric emergency care and an eighteen bed acute care unit. The Dallas County Jail currently holds over 7,000 inmates and Parkland Health provides the healthcare services for these inmates.

Texas Tech School of Pharmacy

The Texas Tech University School of Pharmacy was established by the Texas Legislature in 1993 and is part of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC). The main campus for the school of pharmacy is located in Amarillo. Regional campuses are located in Dallas/Ft Worth, Lubbock, and Abilene.

The Dallas/Fort Worth Regional campus was established in 1999, & currently resides on the Dallas VAMC campus. Approximately 20 full-time and 25 adjunct clinical faculty provide the education and training of 150 students in their last 2 years of pharmacy school and 15 residents.

VA North Texas Health Care System

The Dallas VA Medical Center, located 10 miles south of downtown Dallas, is a 571-bed inpatient facility with a new outpatient facility that opened in 1999. The Dallas VAMC Mental Health department involves four interdisciplinary teams that provide inpatient and outpatient care for their patients. The inpatient mental health unit contains 36 patient beds in addition to 35 patient beds in the substance abuse rehabilitation program.
Residency Description:
The psychiatric specialty residency supported by Parkland Health and Hospital System and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy is designed to produce clinical pharmacists who are competent to practice in a wide variety of psychiatric practice settings. A psychiatric pharmacist should possess a mastery of clinical skills needed to optimize the pharmacologic therapy to treat patients with psychiatric and neuropsychiatric disorders in various mental health settings. The residency provides the environment necessary to achieve the knowledge and skills needed to care for patients with a wide range of disorders. The program will foster the development of an independent and versatile practitioner. The program is also designed to produce well rounded, independent professionals through experiences in teaching, research, and professional activities.

Requirements:
- Graduate of an accredited school of pharmacy
- Hold an active pharmacy license, or be eligible for licensure in Texas
- Completion of a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency
- Candidates will be required to consent in writing to undergo a background check prior to employment

Research Opportunities:
The completion of a research project with a written manuscript suitable for publication is a required activity. The research project will also be presented at a national meeting. Residents can select projects in the areas of neurology and/or psychiatry.

Teaching Opportunities:
Residents are appointed as Assistant Instructors at the Texas Tech School of Pharmacy and are provided with ample opportunity to develop teaching experiences in a wide variety of didactic and active learning courses. Residents will serve as primary preceptor to 3rd and/or 4th year pharmacy students on two clinical rotations. Residents will be required to provide in-services for nursing and medical services and will give a formal presentation at Resident Rounds Seminar Series. Residents will participate in Specialty Resident Journal Club and provide at least 1 journal club presentation throughout the year. Residents can participate in the Clinician-Educator Teaching Certificate Program offered by TTUHSC as well.

Residency Rotations:

Longitudinal Required Rotations:
HIV/Psych Clinic – 1 day a week

Required Rotations:
Acute Care – 3 months
Jail Health – 3 months
Neurology – 1 month
Special Populations (Geriatrics or Pediatrics) – 1 month

Elective Rotations:
Peri/Postpartum clinic (PMH)
Med/Psych clinic (AIMs) – emphasis in endocrinology (PMH)
Intensive Treatment Psychiatric Care (CSTP) (VA)
Pain with an emphasis in psych (PMH)
Consult Team (PMH)
PTSD Clinic (VA)
Parkland Psychiatric ER (PMH)
Substance Abuse (VA and UT Southwestern)
Administration (PMH)
Alternate Special Populations

Salary & Benefits:
The stipend for one year is approximately $47,000. Benefits include 10 days of vacation, 10 days professional leave, sick leave, & health care benefits. Parkland Health and TTUHSC will provide support to attend CPNP Annual, ASHP Midyear and one regional residency meeting.

Applicant Information:
Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, 3 letters of recommendation, curriculum vitae, official transcripts for pharmacy education, and a completed application form via PhORCAS. Specialty residency applications are due January 1, 2018.

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