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**Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy Residency Program**

The Graduate Pharmacy Education (Residency) Program at TTUHSC – School of Pharmacy was established in 1997 and promotes excellence in patient care by providing education, development, and advanced training to practitioners, educators, and scholars. Residents support the School of Pharmacy mission by expanding faculty practice and scholarship activities; as Assistant Instructors, residents are also actively integrated into the education of Pharm.D. students, serving as clerkship preceptors and small-group facilitators. The Residency Program, under the direction of Dr. Steve Pass, offers diverse training opportunities through 15 unique Pharmacy Practice and Specialty Resident programs located in Abilene, Amarillo, Dallas-Fort Worth and Lubbock. Presently, 35 residents are enrolled in this program. Since its formation, more than 290 residents have successfully completed residency training. Residents participate in a variety of learning opportunities as part of their program such as a longitudinal Clinician-Educator Teaching Certificate Program. Faculty members present monthly topics to residents related to teaching. This year the Teaching Certificate Program has been revised to provide more hands-on lecturing to the residents. Every resident interested in a teaching certificate will present an optional lecture to an audience of residents and pharmacists, who will then evaluate the residents’ performance during the lecture and give constructive feedback on improvement areas. The program has been evolving each year to enhance learning opportunities and encourage residents to pursue academic positions upon completion of the program.
Residency Committees

Chief Residents

Abilene: Megan Geurds
Amarillo-Lubbock: Jordan Burdine
Dallas: Meghan Duquette

Social Committee

Abilene: Cody Faubion
Amarillo: Keith Chow
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Lubbock: Herman Johannesmeyer

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Dallas: Oluchi Emelogu
Lubbock: Justin Pedigo
Certifications, Presentations, and Recognitions

Congratulations to the following residents on becoming Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialists (BCPS)!

Keith Chow, PGY-2 Pharmacotherapy, Amarillo.
Meghan Duquette, PGY-2 Psychiatric Pharmacy, Dallas.
Herman Johannesmeyer, PGY-2 Pharmacotherapy, Lubbock.
Megan Geurds, PGY-2 Pharmacotherapy, Abilene.
Jordan Light, PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy, Dallas.
Elaine Lo, PGY-2 Ambulatory Care, Dallas.
Heidi Michaels, PGY-2 Critical Care, Dallas.
Kerry Anne Rambaran, PGY-2 Pharmacotherapy, Lubbock.
Samie Sabet, PGY-2 Pharmacotherapy, Amarillo.
Olga Shvarts, PGY-2 Critical Care, Dallas.

ASHP Clinical Meeting (Midyear) 2016 poster presentations

Sameer Afghani – Addition of a pharmacist in the management of septic patients in the emergency department
Vi Bui – Impact of propofol on hemodynamic control in mechanically ventilated septic shock patients
Bill Long – Evaluation of fall risk in elderly patients taking antihypertensive medications concomitant with overactive bladder or benign prostatic hyperplasia medications
Jacy Malone – Prescribing patterns of HMG-CoA reductase inhibitors
Van Ngo – Retrospective evaluation for culture correlation using a microarray-based, multiplexed rapid diagnostic instrument (Verigene system) for bloodstream infections

Recognition

Whitney Zentgraf, an alumna of the School of Pharmacy’s PGY2 geriatric pharmacotherapy residency, received a Top 4 Poster award November 4-6 at ASCP’s Annual meeting in Dallas for her residency research, titled “Anticholinergic Risk Score and Risk of Antipsychotic Prescribing in the Nursing Home Population”.

Publications

Congratulations to Jessica Bradley’s publication! She was PGY1 Pharmacy Practice resident at the Dallas VA, Class of 2013-2014.

Residency Mock Interviews

On Saturday, January 7th and Wednesday, January 11th The Office of Professional Affairs sponsored Mock Residency Interviews which were conducted on all four campuses. Students were able to sign up to practice their interview skills in preparation for their upcoming residency interviews. A total of 31 students were able to complete 2 one-on-one faculty interviews, 1 group residency interview, 1 faculty group interview, and a clinical case with 52 faculty, residents, and staff who volunteered to participate. Students were asked to dress professionally and act as if they were onsite at the residency of their choice for the session. They provided their CV and a letter of intent for interviewers to stimulate this residency program. Interviews were conducted with both students and the interviewers asking and answering questions followed by immediate feedback from the interviewer. Faculty were encouraged to play different roles (administrators, residency program directors, preceptors) and act in different manners (distracted, over-interested, harsh, super nice, etc.). Students were also given formal written feedback at the end of the day and 12 residents volunteered to give feedback on the case answers. At the end of the interviews and case, all students, residents, and faculty joined together to do a Q/A session and overall debrief on each campus. All students agreed that they were overall thankful for attending the event and felt more prepared for their upcoming interviews.
Upcoming Meetings/ Conferences

APhA Annual Meeting
   March 24-27, 2017 | San Francisco, CA

Alcalde 31th Annual Southwest Leadership Conference
   April 26-27, 2017 | Galveston, TX

Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists Annual Seminar 2017
   April 28-30, 2017 | Galveston, TX

Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy 16th Annual Research Days
   June 15-16, 2017 | Amarillo, TX

MAD ID Annual Meeting
   May 10-13, 2017 | Orlando, FL

Where Are They Now Updates

Dr. Nidhu Baby | Palo Alto VA | Internal Medicine Clinical Pharmacist
Residency Collage

ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting 2016
Las Vegas, NV
December 4-8, 2016