Bethesda Hospital – PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

Welcome

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Thank you for your interest in the Bethesda Hospital PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program. Pursuing a pharmacy residency shows your commitment to lifelong learning, which is a valuable asset in the profession of pharmacy.

Bethesda Hospital is one of only two long-term acute care hospitals in the state of Minnesota. Our patients typically have multiple medical conditions and complex needs requiring longer-term hospital-level care with daily physician involvement. As our resident, you will gain experience in working with patients who have experienced life-altering medical events.

Bethesda Hospital's PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program allows residents to improve the outcomes of these highly complex patients. Patients at Bethesda Hospital have an average length of stay of 28 days, which allows our residents the opportunity to follow patients through many stages of care and see the end result of their recommendations. Physicians strongly support the pharmacy team at Bethesda and seek input from pharmacists daily. Pharmacists manage anticoagulant therapy, collaborate with dieticians to manage parenteral nutrition, manage medications requiring pharmacokinetic monitoring, present patients for infectious disease rounds, and interact with patients and their families during medication reconciliation and discharge counseling. Our program prepares residents to independently provide patient care in a community health system or pursue advanced training in a PGY2 residency program.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by email.
Again, thank you for your interest.

Why Bethesda Hospital?
At Bethesda Hospital, we understand the staggering effects of a severe injury or illness, and we specialize in innovative approaches to treatment and recovery. Our physicians value and rely on pharmacists’ expertise in caring for these complex patients.

Curriculum
The Bethesda Hospital PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program offers the resident an opportunity to work collaboratively with other health care providers and leaders creating a competent, confident pharmacy practitioner with a firm understanding of how essential the pharmacist's role is in the medication management system and how this spans the entire continuum of patient care.
Bethesda's resident experience includes
• Opportunities to home clinical and critical thinking skills in central and decentralized pharmacist roles
• Participating in interdisciplinary care rounds
• Providing educational sessions to patients and other health care providers
• Didactic learning sessions with experienced preceptors
• Precepting pharmacy students
• Completion of a major residency project
• Opportunities for elective rotation at acute care hospitals within HealthEast system
• Longitudinal activities throughout the Healtheast system

Focused learning rotations
• Respiratory Care
• Traumatic Brain Injury
• Geriatrics
• Internal Medicine
• Infectious Disease
• Practice Management

Elective rotations
• Pharmacy Informatics
• Medication Safety
• Medication Therapy Management
• Pain Management
• Critical Care at St. John's Hospital
• Oncology at St. John’s Hospital
• Neurovascular Critical Care at St. Joseph’s Hospital

Preceptors
Our pharmacy preceptors are chosen for their clinical expertise and commitment to teaching. Go here to learn about our preceptors.

How to apply
The Bethesda Hospital PGY1 Residency Program utilizes the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS) as part of the National Matching Services for all potential applicants. All significant application information and deadlines are posted on PhORCAS.