



Department of Pharmacy
PGY1 Pharmacy Residency

Program Purpose

PGY1 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives. Residents who successfully complete PGY1 residency programs will be skilled in diverse patient care, practice management, leadership, and education, and be prepared to provide patient care, seek board certification in pharmacotherapy (i.e., BCPS), and pursue advanced education and training opportunities including postgraduate year two (PGY2) residencies.

Program Structure

Residency program experiences include a combination of concentrated and longitudinal rotation experiences. Residents must complete 6 electives. Availability of experiences are as follows:

Learning Experience	Duration (minimum)	Designation	Sequence during residency year
Orientation	6 weeks	Required	June - July
Internal Medicine 1	4 weeks	Required	First half of year
Adult Critical Care 1	4 weeks	Required	First or second half of year; Must complete 2 clinical rotations first
Drug Information	2 weeks	Required	First or second half of year
Medication Safety	2 weeks	Required	First or second half of year
Practice Management 1	4 weeks	Required	First or second half of year
Ambulatory Care ¹	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Cardiology	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Cardiology – Ambulatory ¹	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Adult Critical Care 2	4 weeks	Elective	Second half of year; Must complete Adult Critical Care 1 first
Emergency Medicine	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Infectious Diseases	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Infectious Diseases- Ambulatory ¹	4 weeks	Elective	Second half of the year
Informatics/Automation ²	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Internal Medicine 2	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of the year; Must complete Internal Medicine 1 first
Neurology	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Neurology- Ambulatory ¹	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Oncology	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year

Oncology – Ambulatory ¹	4 weeks	Elective	Second half of year
General Pediatrics	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Pediatrics Subspecialty	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Pharmacogenomics ¹	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Practice Management 2 ²	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of the year; Must complete Practice Management 1 first
Psychiatry	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Solid Organ Transplant	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Solid Organ Transplant – Ambulatory ¹	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Specialty Pharmacy ³	4 weeks	Elective	First or second half of year
Traditional Staffing	Longitudinal – 52 weeks (19 weekends (38 8-hour shifts)/year and 2 Cleveland Clinic recognized holidays)	Required	N/A
On-call	Longitudinal - 52 weeks (approx. 22 shifts/year = 528 hours/year ⁴)	Required	N/A
Large Project	Longitudinal – 52 weeks (3 – 5 hr/week ⁵)	Required	N/A
Small Project	Longitudinal – 52 weeks (1 hr/week ⁵)	Required	N/A
Presentations/Teaching	Longitudinal – 52 weeks (2 – 5 hr/month ⁵ depending on conference schedule)	Required	N/A

¹ One elective rotation must occur in the ambulatory setting within the elected primary or specialty area. No more than two elective rotations can occur in an ambulatory clinic/outpatient space.

² No more than 1 elective can be in a non-patient care area

³ Specialty Pharmacy does not meet the requirement of the ambulatory care selective, however counts towards two elective rotations in the ambulatory/outpatient space.

⁴ Resident on-call shifts consist of 24-hour on-call pager coverage, and six-hour on-site duties (on-site shift from 3-9 pm)

⁵ Please note projects, presentation preparation, and certain other activities will require you to invest time outside of a normal workday. This will be the case throughout your professional career.

