



MCPHS University and Walgreens

PGY1 Community-Based Pharmacy Residency Program, Worcester, Massachusetts

The purpose of a PGY1 Community-based Pharmacy Residency Program is to build upon the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and outcomes to develop community-based pharmacist practitioners with diverse patient care, leadership, and education skills who are eligible to pursue advanced training opportunities including postgraduate year two residencies and professional certifications.

The mission of the MCPHS University and Walgreens Community Pharmacy Residency Program is to provide postgraduate educational and training experience to develop pharmacists with expertise in community pharmacy practice, provide compassionate care for members of their communities and contribute to Walgreens' advancement in health care. The residency program is based in Worcester, MA. Our pharmacy is an innovative community pharmacy practice site dedicated to providing pharmacist-delivered clinical patient care services tailored to patients who are prescribed complex therapies for HIV/AIDS, hepatitis C, multiple sclerosis, oncology, and more. This residency program is academically affiliated with and financially supported by MCPHS University in Worcester, MA.

Program Description

The community pharmacy resident will receive instruction and experience in each of the following components:

- **Clinical:** The clinical component will be completed in the following mandatory year-long rotations: community, specialty, ambulatory, and drug safety. The resident will rotate through various sites in order to achieve the goals set forth by the accreditation standards.
- **Educational:** The resident will be able to have various opportunities for teaching. They will be exposed to small group as well as larger didactic lectures and serve as an adjunct preceptor for the community pharmacy practice laboratory.
- **Operational/Administrative:** The resident will have the opportunity to develop their administrative role as a pharmacist. They will spend time with the pharmacy manager at both sites, as well as spend time with the pharmacy supervisors at Walgreens to understand the details of pharmacy operations.
- **Management/Leadership:** The resident will have opportunities to become involved with both state and national pharmacy associations. They will have the opportunity to attend Massachusetts Pharmacy Board meetings, attend local and national pharmacy meetings, as well as assist in legislative endeavors to further the practice of pharmacy.

Goals

- Engage the resident in the clinical, educational, operational, and administrative aspects of community pharmacy practice.
- Prepare the resident to assume clinical, educational, operational, and administrative responsibilities within the community practice setting.
- Provide a mechanism whereby the resident contributes to the development of pharmacy services within the community setting.
- Develop the resident's precepting and teaching abilities.

- Contribute to quality improvement programs.
- Develop and implement a longitudinal residency project, as well as submit a manuscript for publication in a reputable pharmacy journal.

Candidate Requirements

- Obtain Commonwealth of Massachusetts Pharmacist License by 90 days after the start of the residency
- PharmD degree from an ACPE accredited college or school of pharmacy
- Complete the online resident position application at <https://jobs.walgreens.com>
- Submission of residency application materials to PhORCAS by **January 5th**
 - Curriculum Vitae
 - Three professional letters of recommendation
 - Letter of intent explaining why you are pursuing a community pharmacy residency and what you hope to gain from the residency program
 - Official university transcripts
- Once all materials are received, the Program Director will contact eligible candidates for an on-site interview
- On-site interview (upon invitation)
- Registered with the National Matching Service (NMS)

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The PGY1 Community-Based Pharmacy Residency conducted by MCPHS University, Worcester, MA is accredited by the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists, in partnership with the American Pharmacists Association.