Pharmacy Residency Programs
Mission Statement

The Mission of the Summa Health System Pharmacy Residency Programs is to:

- Train effective, confident, compassionate, and proficient direct patient care providers
- Instill strong workplace values of idealism, professionalism, excellence, and integrity
- Promote and transform the practice of pharmacy in our community, state and country

About Summa Health

Summa Health is a patient-centered population health management organization that provides integrated and coordinated care and a superior experience for the people of Northeast Ohio. The system encompasses a network of hospitals, community-based health centers, a health plan, a multi-specialty group practice, an accountable care organization, research and medical education, and a foundation.

We serve more than one million patients each year in comprehensive acute, critical, emergency, outpatient and long-term/home-care settings and represent more than 1,300 licensed inpatient beds at Summa Health System – Akron, Barberton and Summa St. Thomas Campuses and Summa Rehab Hospital.

Summa Health trains physicians and pharmacists through 14 residency programs and 7 fellowships. As a mid-sized institution specializing in community-based education, you will get the best of both worlds: a high volume of direct patient contact, plus the academic rigor that supports research, interprofessional education, and quality improvement projects.

About the Pharmacy Department

The pharmacy at Summa Health employs more than 100 pharmacists, residents, pharmacy interns, and other support personnel whose priority is to provide high-quality, cost-effective pharmaceutical care to patients with the ultimate goal of optimal patient care.

The pharmacy department is a 24-hour operation responsible for dispensing medications daily for an average inpatient population of 450 patients with additional services provided in the outpatient setting. Clinical services provided include renal drug monitoring, drug interaction monitoring, patient care rounding, medication teaching, therapeutic drug monitoring, Meds-To-Beds, drug order review, drug information support for care providers and a focus on an integrated, decentralized model for care delivery. Additionally, the department provides a variety of educational programs to pharmacy, medical and nursing personnel.

The pharmacy provides specialized pharmacy clinical services in the areas of Ambulatory Care, Anticoagulation, Antimicrobial Stewardship, Cardiovascular Care, Emergency Medicine, Geriatric Care, Hematology/Oncology, Hospice, Infectious Disease, Internal Medicine, Intensive Care, Medication Safety, Neurology, Pain Management, Palliative Care, Psychiatric Care, and Transitions of Care.

Description of the Pharmacy Residency Programs

Residency training takes place primarily at the Akron Campus. The resident will gain experience through a number of clinical rotations, and learn through interactions with a multi-disciplinary team of health professionals devoted to providing optimal care to patients with various disease states and a range of complexity of patient problems.

The resident will gain experience in dealing with issues impacting pharmacy practice today. Training will provide clinical, operational and management strategies designed to provide safe and cost-effective use of medications. Participation in ongoing medication use evaluation programs and formulary activities is required.

The Department of Pharmacy Services has a long-standing history of excellence in Pharmaceutical Care and Research.

Therefore, learning will include a focus on the mission of the department, current services, short and long-term goals and policies concerning medication use. The resident will have the opportunity to complete a research project with the advantage of having access to a diverse patient population, experienced preceptors, and well established Research Department at Summa. Research results will be submitted for presentation at professional meetings and for publication.

Our pharmacists are widely involved in teaching pharmacy students as an Advanced and Introductory Pharmacy Practice Experience training site for several colleges of pharmacy. The resident will have the opportunity to assist with clinical training of pharmacy students in these programs. The opportunity to obtain a teaching certificate is also available through the Northeast Ohio Medical University.

Program Details

Demographics
- Duration: 12 months
- Available Positions:
  - PGY1 Pharmacy Practice
  - PGY2 Ambulatory Care
  - PGY2 Pain Management & Palliative Care
- Starting Date: July 1
- Application Deadline: January 1

Benefits
- Estimated Stipend:
  - PGY1: $47,466
  - PGY2: $47,986
- Medical coverage and free parking
- Paid time off and no holiday staffing
- Office space and computer
- Reduced professional membership fees and continuing pharmacy education
- Travel reimbursement

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Summa Health System – Post Graduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency

PGY1 pharmacy residency program builds on Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD.) education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions, eligible for board certification, and eligible for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training.

Program Details

Required Rotations
Pharmacy Operations/Orientation, Internal Medicine*, Medication Safety, Critical Care*, General Infectious Diseases, Pharmacy Administration*, Ambulatory Care*

Longitudinal Learning Experiences
Research, formulary management and P & T Projects, pharmacy consults and drug information service, pharmacy operations/staffing (every 3 weekends), NEOMED Teaching Certificate Program (optional)

Elective Rotations
Psychiatry, Anticoagulation Management Service, Transitions of Care, Antimicrobial Stewardship, Trauma Service, Geriatrics, Emergency Medicine, Cardiology, Hospice and Palliative Care, Hematology/Oncology, Some required rotations offered as an elective*

Projects
Pharmacy practice – related research project, medication usage evaluation (may be combined with research project), journal club and case presentations, pharmacotherapy CPE presentation, practice management project, drug policy development project

Preceptors
John Feucht II, RPh, MBA
System Director of Pharmacy Services
Paula Politis, PharmD, BCPS
Antimicrobial Stewardship
Michelle Cudnik, PharmD, BCACP
Ambulatory Care
Dorcas Letting-Mangira, PharmD
Residency Program Director
Internal Medicine
Susanna Pettigrew, PharmD
Medication Safety Coordinator
Susan Forsythe, RPh, BCPS, BCACP
Geriatrics
Pamela Moore, PharmD, BCPS
Pain & Palliative Care
Kathleen Babcock, PharmD, BCPS
Alexandra Schrock, PharmD, BCPS
Anticoagulation
Rhanna Godos, PharmD, BCACP, CACP
Site Manager, Anticoagulation
Philip King, PharmD, BCPS
Cardiovascular
Barbara Weisensell, RPh
Pharmacy Supervisor
Jacqueline Ewald, PharmD, BCPS
Educational, Investigational, and Clinical Manager
Kathy Robinson, RPh, BCOP
Bobby Onder, PharmD
Hematology/Oncology
Steve Chesser, PharmD
Holly Toukonen, PharmD
Emergency Medicine
Jessica Cather PharmD, BCPS, BCOP
Internal Medicine & Psychiatry
John Bon, PharmD, BCPS
Critical Care
Nicholas Parino, PharmD, BCPS
Cardiology
Angela Lammtman, PharmD
Transitions of Care

Application

Requirements for Acceptance
PharmD. or BS in pharmacy from an Accredited College or School of Pharmacy
Eligibility for Ohio Licensure
Eligibility for employment at Summa (including background check, drug & nicotine screening)

Application Procedures
A detailed letter of intent, three letters of recommendation, college transcripts and curriculum vitae should be Submitted to PhO-RCAS no later than January 1st (NMS Code is 186513).
Applicants will be notified of interview status within 15 business days of application deadline.
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Pharmacists completing the PGY2 residency at Summa Health will be prepared to assume positions as clinical pharmacy specialists in various ambulatory settings. They will receive rigorous coaching and experience in the practice of providing proficient direct patient care as part of an interdisciplinary team. The residency will prepare individuals for BCACP certification examination. Emphasis will be placed on communication skills and evidence-based medicine management.

Program Details

Required 1 Month Rotations
Pharmacy Operations/Orientation, Medication Safety

Required Longitudinal Rotations
Chronic Disease Management, High Intensity Clinic, Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) Academia, Population Health (Accountable Care Organization), Pharmacy Management, Anticoagulation Clinic, Anticoagulation Inpatient Consult and Transitions of Care, PMT Projects/CE Presentation/Leadership, Resident Research Project

Elective Rotations
Family Medicine, Palliative Care Clinic, Hospice Care, HIV Clinic, Neurology, Clinical Leadership

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Matthew Kostoff, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP
Population Health
Stacey Schneider, PharmD
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Application

Requirements for Acceptance
• Doctor of Pharmacy or BS Pharmacy degree from an accredited college or school of pharmacy
• Satisfactory completion of an ASHP accredited PGY1 Pharmacy Residency
• Eligibility for Ohio Licensure
• Eligibility for employment at Summa Health System (including background check, drug and nicotine screening)

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Summa Health – Postgraduate Year Two (PGY2) Ambulatory Care Residency

PharmD
Pharmacy Operations/Orientation, Medication Safety

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Program Details

Required 1 Month Rotations
Pharmacy Operations/Orientation, Medication Safety

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Pharmacists completing the PGY2 Pain Management & Palliative Care Residency at Summa Health System will be prepared to accept positions as essential members of interdisciplinary teams focusing on providing patient-centered care and highly individualized symptom management across various settings within the continuum of care and to serve as clinical faculty for a college of pharmacy.

Program Details

Required 1 Month Rotations
Pharmacy Orientation, Inpatient Palliative Care and Hospice, Inpatient Pain Consult Service, Inpatient Geriatric Psychiatry, Advanced Inpatient Palliative Care, Geriatric Care, Oncology, Inpatient Chemical Dependency

Selective 1 Month Rotations
Critical Care, Emergency Medicine, Pain & Palliative Care Transitions of Care, Service Line Expansion

Required Longitudinal Year-long Rotations
Pharmacy Operations, Education, Practice Management, Palliative Care Clinic and Hospice Interdisciplinary Team, Project Management

Selective Longitudinal Rotation
Geriatric Clinic – 3 months

Preceptors
Pamela Moore, PharmD, BCPS
Pain & Palliative Care
Susan Fosnight, RPh, BCPS, BCGP
Geriatrics
Susanna Petiya, PharmD
Medication Safety Coordinator
Jacqueline Ewald, PharmD, BCPS
Educational, Investigation, and Clinical Manager
Steve Chesser, PharmD and Holly Toukonen, PharmD
Emergency Medicine
Bobby Onder, PharmD – Preceptor in Training
Oncology
Barbara Weisensell, RPh
Pharmacy Supervisor
Kathy Robinson RPh, BCPP
Oncology
John Bon, PharmD, BCPS
Critical Care
Jessica Cather PharmD, BCPS, BCPP
Internal Medicine and Psychiatry

Application

Requirements for Acceptance
- Doctor of Pharmacy or BS Pharmacy degree from an accredited college or school of pharmacy
- Satisfactory completion of an ASHP accredited PGY1 Pharmacy Residency
- Eligibility for Ohio Licensure
- Eligibility for employment at Summa Health System (including background check, drug and nicotine screening)

Application Procedures
A detailed letter of intent, a separate personal statement regarding pharmaceutical care as it pertains to pain management and palliative care, three letters of professional recommendation, pharmacy college transcript, and curriculum vitae should be submitted using the PhORCAS system no later than January 1st. Applicants will be notified of interview status within 15 business days of the deadline.

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Akron, Ohio

Akron is located approximately 35 miles south of Cleveland. It lies within a 500-mile radius of 42 major U.S. cities, where 57 percent of the country’s population and 60 percent of the country’s buying power are found.

Northeast Ohio is home to 26 Fortune 1,000 company headquarters, including Goodyear, Lubrizol, J.M. Smucker, Progressive Insurance and Sherwin Williams. Also, northeast Ohio is a national leader in polymer and liquid crystal research and development.

The Greater Akron area is a welcoming community rich in heritage and cultural diversity, offering big city amenities with a hometown feel in one of America’s most affordable metropolitan areas. Residents have convenient access to a number of well-known recreational activities.

Year founded: 1825
Population: 198,549
Area: 62.4 square miles
Mayor: Daniel Horrigan

Professional sports teams:
• Cleveland Browns
• Cleveland Cavaliers
• Cleveland Indians
• Akron RubberDucks (Indians minor league team)
• Lake Erie Monsters (American Hockey League)
• Cleveland Gladiators (Arena Football League)

Museums and attractions:
• Akron Art Museum
• Akron Symphony
• Blossom Music Center
• Cleveland Museum of Natural History
• Cleveland Orchestra
• Museum of Contemporary Art
• Playhouse Square
• Professional Football Hall of Fame
• Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
• The Cleveland Museum of Art
• The John S. Knight Center

Outdoor parks, activities and entertainment for each season:
• Akron Zoo
• Boston Mills/Brandywine Ski Resort
• Cedar Point Amusement Park
• Cleveland Zoo
• Cuyahoga Valley National Park
• F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm
• Lock 3 (live music and entertainment park)
• Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath Trail
• Portage Lakes
• Summit County Metro Parks
• Various biking, hiking and camping sites

Nearby airports for convenient travel:
• Cleveland Hopkins International Airport
• Akron Canton Regional Airport

Institutions of higher education:

Summit County:
• The University of Akron

Cuyahoga County:
• Baldwin-Wallace University
• Case Western Reserve University
• Cleveland Institute of Art
• Cleveland Institute of Music
• Cleveland State University
• John Carroll University
• Notre Dame College of Ohio
• Ursuline College

Portage County:
• Hiram College
• Kent State University
• Northeast Ohio Medical University

Stark County:
• Malone College
• University of Mount Union
• Walsh University

Wayne County:
• College of Wooster

Brandywine Falls, Cuyahoga Valley National Park
The Clubhouse, Firestone Country Club
Goodyear Polymer Center, The University of Akron
View of Route 82 bridge from towpath, Cuyahoga Valley National Park
Summa Health is an Integrated Healthcare Delivery System that provides coordinated, value-based care across the continuum for the people and populations we serve. We hold ourselves clinically and financially accountable for health outcomes in our communities.