Texas Children's Hospital

Postgraduate Year Two (PGY2) Pharmacy Residency in Pediatrics



About the Residency Program

The PGY2 pediatric pharmacy residency program at Texas Children's Hospital is a 12-month ASHP accredited program focused on direct patient care, practice management, and education of healthcare providers, patients, and caregivers. It is designed to meet the pre-defined program goals and objectives and is tailored based on the resident interests and past experience. This training program allows residents to gain experience to become authoritative resources in the application, use, research, and optimization of pharmacotherapy in pediatric patients. Additionally, residents will develop practice management skills used to optimize the medication use process in the care of pediatric patients. Resident experiences allow them to develop skills in the education of learners, healthcare providers, and patients. The program begins the first Monday of July.

Rotations

- Hospital and Department Orientation (1)
- Critical Care (2)
  - Cardiac Intensive Care (CICU)
  - Neonatal Intensive Care (NICU)
  - Pediatric Intensive Care (PICU)
- Acute Care (3)
  - Cardiology
  - Pediatric Hospital Medicine
  - Oncology
  - Pulmonary
  - Heart Failure and Heart Transplant
  - Liver Transplant/Hepatology
  - Lung Transplant
  - Renal/Renal Transplant
  - Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant
  - Gastroenterology
  - Infectious Diseases
- Administration (1)
  - Clinical Administration and Outcomes
  - Medication Safety
  - Formulary Management and Outcomes
- Electives (4)
  - Antimicrobial Stewardship
  - Critical Care Nephrology
  - Emergency Medicine
  - Information Technology
  - Neurology
  - Pain Management and Opioid Stewardship
  - Pediatrics at The Woodlands
  - Pulmonary Hypertension
  - Transitional Intensive Care Unit
  - Women's Services
- Longitudinal Ambulatory Care
  (Two 6-month experiences – half-day per week)
  - Cystic Fibrosis (CF)/Pulmonary
  - Heart Transplant
  - Infectious Disease
  - Liver Transplant
  - Lung Transplant
  - Renal/Renal Transplant

Projects and Presentations

Longitudinal Projects: Clinical research or quality improvement (1) and medication use evaluation (1)
Presentations: Case presentations (2), pharmacotherapy rounds presentations (2), journal club (3), study design journal club (2)

Practice Management

Multi-professional committee involvement
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee involvement

Staffing Responsibilities

Every 3rd weekend

Clinical-On-Call

At home clinical-on-call program

Teaching Opportunities

Student and resident precepting
Teaching certificate offered through the University of Houston - College of Pharmacy

Salary and Benefits

$57,200 & Insurance (medical, dental, vision, life)
14 PTO days plus 1 "My Day" & travel allowances for up to two professional meetings



Residency Leadership

Program Director: Dana Cerminara, PharmD, BCPPS; dncermin@texaschildrens.org
Program Coordinator: Tanaka Dang, PharmD; txdang4@texaschildrens.org

Preceptors

We have more than 20 clinical and administrative preceptors, practicing in a variety of pediatric subspecialties:

Neelam Bhatt, PharmD, BCPPS	*Lung Transplant/Pulmonary Hypertension*
Sara J.D. Bork, PharmD, MBA	*Medication Safety*
Samantha Brokenshire, PharmD, BCPPS	*Renal Transplant/Renal*
Hillary Calderon, PharmD	*Director of Clinical Services and Outcomes*
Dana N. Cerminara, PharmD, BCPPS	*Liver Transplant/Hepatology/Gastroenterology*
Jon Cokley, PharmD, BCPPS, FNCS	*Neurology*
Tanaka Dang, PharmD	*Formulary Management and Outcomes*
Kimberly L. Dinh, PharmD	*Medication Safety*
Jenna Faircloth, PharmD, BCPS	*Pulmonology*
Sophia Fontana, PharmD	*Pediatric Critical Care*
Rene Gonzalez, PharmD, BCPS, BCOP, MSC	*Hematopoietic Stem Cell Transplant*
Joy Greenberg, PharmD, BCPPS	*Neonatology*
Sarah R. Justice, PharmD, MS	*Formulary Management and Outcomes*
Kelli Kulik, PharmD	*The Woodlands (Community Campus)*
Katherine I. Lemming, PharmD, BCPPS	*Cardiac Critical Care/Cardiology*
Savannah Mace, PharmD	*Pediatric Critical Care*
Kristen Michael, PharmD	*Oncology/Hematology*
Hana Paek, PharmD	*Oncology/Hematology*
Jennifer L. Placencia, PharmD, BCPPS	*Pain and Opioid Stewardship/Palliative Care*
Brittany A. Rodriguez, PharmD, FPIDS	*Antimicrobial Stewardship/Infectious Diseases*
Grant T. Stimes, PharmD	*Antimicrobial Stewardship/Infectious Diseases*
Cindy Toy, PharmD, BCPPS	*Neonatology*

Application Information

Number of positions: 1
Application deadline: Sunday, January 3, 2027
To apply for the residency, the following must be completed and entered into PhORCAS prior to the on-site interview:

- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum vitae
- Three recommendation forms (letters of recommendation)

If offered, an on-site interview with presentation is required.

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