Postgraduate Year One (PGY1) Pharmacy Residency

Background
TidalHealth Peninsula Regional, a non-profit, 283-bed community teaching hospital, is a 126-year-old, fully Joint Commission accredited tertiary care facility featuring Delmarva’s widest array of specialty and sub-specialty services. Over 330 physicians and 3,000 health care professionals and volunteers provide the care and compassion that nearly 500,000 patients rely on each year for inpatient, outpatient, diagnostic, subacute and emergency/trauma services. It has been the recipient of over 125 national awards and recognitions over the past six years for the safety and quality of care it provides patients and for the outcomes they experience. TidalHealth Peninsula Regional is one of the nation’s top heart institutes, a leader in minimally invasive and robotic surgery, and the only designated trauma center on the Eastern Shore.

The department of pharmacy services provides care to patients on a 24-hour basis to fulfill TidalHealth’s values of quality, service, and community. Clinical pharmacy services are an integral part of the patient care team at TidalHealth and are also available 24 hours a day.

Given the multitude of services offered by TidalHealth Peninsula Regional, the outstanding pharmacy services and a partnership with the University of Maryland Eastern Shore School of Pharmacy, a PGY1 residency program has been in existence since 2012. We are seeking motivated candidates to help continue the ASHP-accredited PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional.

Purpose
The PGY1 pharmacy residency position is designed to provide the resident with an opportunity to further expand his or her knowledge, leadership skills and competency as it relates to general clinical pharmacy services. The work experience gained during the PGY1 residency at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional prepares the resident to function as a general clinical pharmacist in a hospital setting, continue advanced training through a PGY-2 residency or fellowship, or apply for a faculty appointment at a school of pharmacy. One of the main focuses of the residency program is to provide the resident with the tools necessary to expand their ability to critically evaluate situations. This occurs through a strengthening of the resident’s clinical judgment and refinement of problem-solving skills. The resident will work with several teams throughout the program, each offering a unique experience and the chance to grow as a clinical practitioner. Opportunities for teaching and precepting students during the residency are available through an affiliation between TidalHealth and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore School of Pharmacy and Health Professions.

Learning Experience Schedule
A variety of core and elective learning experiences are available to the resident. Each experience will be tailored to the resident’s needs, lasting 4-6 weeks. The first experience will be hospital and pharmacy orientation. The purpose of this learning experience is to allow the resident to become proficient in the operational aspects of the Department of Pharmacy...
Services. The second experience will be a pharmacotherapy rotation during which the resident will spend the month working with the clinical specialists at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional learning the formal consultation service which is incorporated longitudinally throughout the residency. After completion of the first two experiences, the resident will be incorporated into scheduling for operational and clinical coverage. The other experience that is pre-defined is the research project block, scheduled for December. This allows the resident flexibility to attend the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting. The remaining time will be for the other core and electives experiences; flexibility with the schedule exists depending on interest and availability.

Learning Experiences Overview
Core Experiences:
- Critical Care, Emergency Medicine, Infectious Disease, Internal Medicine,
- Pharmacotherapy, Pharmacy Management, Pharmacy Orientation, and Research

Elective Experiences:
- Cardiology, Hematology/Oncology, Mental Health, Pharmacy Informatics
  (Core experiences may be repeated as electives)

Longitudinal Experiences:
- Academia, Pharmacotherapy, Pharmacy Practice & Operations, Research

Teaching
Through the affiliation with the University of Maryland Eastern Shore School of Pharmacy and Health Professions various teaching opportunities will be available to the resident, including a teaching certificate program. The teaching opportunities will be longitudinal during the residency year. TidalHealth Peninsula Regional serves as an APPE site for several schools of pharmacy and will have Doctor of Pharmacy candidates most of the months during the year in various areas of practice. The resident will be expected to assist in precepting and mentoring students during the program.
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