

Methodist University Hospital

PGY1 Pharmacy Residency



Methodist University Hospital offers an ASHP-Accredited PGY1 residency that typically accepts 7 residents annually. The purpose of the program is to provide the resident with the skills, knowledge & attitudes required to become a competent pharmacy practitioner.

At the end of the residency, all program participants are expected to:

1. Provide pharmaceutical care in multiple settings, applying evidence-based knowledge
2. Maintain independent learning skills
3. Possess a professional ethic
4. Develop effective communication skills
5. Cultivate confident leadership skills
6. Understand research methods & opportunities
7. Take responsibility for evaluation of one's work
8. Provide effective drug education to others
9. Understand & participate in the medication use improvement system
10. Improve the drug distribution system
11. Assume personal responsibility for effecting change through involvement in multidisciplinary & intradepartmental teams



The program is a 12-month experience composed of six major elements:

**Direct Patient Care
Service
Practice Management**

**Practice-based research
Medication Safety & Policy
Transitions of Care**

In addition to the learning experiences outlined on the following pages, residents are also able to participate in several learning opportunities meant to complement their clinical learning experiences. These include the Pharmacy Residency Education Series (PRES), which includes topics on clinical, operational, leadership, & research subjects, & the University of Tennessee Teaching & Learning Program.

Mentorship

Each resident selects a facilitator from among the group of preceptors to advise them throughout the year. The facilitator assists the resident in tailoring learning experiences to his or her goals, interests, & previous experiences. The facilitator may also guide the resident as they select their research project, identify preceptors to assist them with presentations & direct them in career choices. Finally, the resident's facilitator serves as the primary mentor for the UTHSC Teaching & Learning Program, if the resident chooses to enroll in this activity.



Available Month-Long Learning Experiences

Administration	Medication Safety	Transitions of Care
Medical ICU	Neuro ICU	Acute Stroke
Cardiology	Internal Medicine Transplant -	Cardiothoracic Surgery
Nephrology	Kidney Transplant - Liver	Hepatology
Emergency Medicine	Transplant - Bone Marrow	Neonatal ICU*
Antimicrobial Stewardship		General Pediatrics*

**Residents may select up to one elective rotation at an off-site hospital during the residency year.*

General Pediatrics is available at Le Bonheur Children's Hospital, Neonatal ICU at Methodist Germantown Hospital, & Academic at the UTHSC College of Pharmacy.

Learning Experience Structure

In order to attain the core level of knowledge necessary to function as a pharmacy practitioner, each resident will participate in the following one month learning experiences:

Orientation/Training	Immunocompromised Selective (Transplant - Kidney, Transplant - Liver, Transplant - Bone Marrow)
Research	Internal Medicine Selective (Stroke, Nephrology, Cardiology, or Pediatrics)
Administration	Acute Care Selective (Emergency Department or Cardiothoracic Surgery)
Internal Medicine	Critical Care Selective (Medical or Neuro ICU)
Transitions of Care	Antimicrobial Stewardship

2 Additional Electives

The resident's schedule during each learning experience is determined by the assigned preceptor & outlined to the resident at the beginning of each experience. Most learning experiences begin on the 1st of the month & last the entirety of the month. Any learning experience not chosen for a selective may be chosen as an elective.



Longitudinal Learning Experiences

In addition to the program-wide requirements outlined on our webpage, PGY1 Residents will also be required to complete the following longitudinal experiences:

- 1. Medication Safety & Policy** - Residents are required to complete a three-month learning experience in medication safety & policy. The resident will gain practical experience in drug information, formulary & drug use policy management, medication safety, literature analysis, & integration of service throughout a multi-hospital system. Residents are responsible for completing one major comparative medication review or an abbreviated medication use evaluation (MUE) during the experience. Residents are also responsible for two minor projects and may vary based on the current needs of the system. These projects may include a protocol review, drug shortage plan, policy review, or other projects as deemed necessary". Resident assignments may vary based upon the current needs of the system & may include a drug class review, formulary review, or other projects as deemed necessary.
- 2. MUE** - Residents will be responsible for performing at least one medication use evaluation during the year. The medication(s) studied will be assigned based on the current needs & focus of the department. A preceptor is assigned to oversee the activity. Residents will work to design the data collection form, collect the pertinent information, analyze the results, determine conclusions of appropriate or inappropriate medication use & make recommendations to improve medication use. Depending on the medication or process, the MUE may include all of the adult Methodist hospitals & will require the resident to coordinate with the other hospitals for completion. Results will be presented by the residents to the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee.
- 3. Service** - PGY1 residents are required to provide service (often referred to as "staffing") coverage the equivalent of every 3rd weekend. They also provide coverage for 2 evening shifts out of every 4-week schedule.
- 4. Research** - PGY1 residents are required to complete a longitudinal experience related to research, which includes project time during the month of December. More information about our residency research process can be found in our residency manual.
- 5. Required Presentations** - PGY1 residents are required, at a minimum, to complete 2 primary presentations at various time points during the residency year: a one-hour continuing education presentation and a presentation to a physician group.
- 6. Primary Preceptor Experience** - each PGY1 resident will complete one experience where they serve as the primary preceptor for a student learner.

Salary

Salary is approximately \$47,000 & is paid on a bi-weekly basis.



Residency Leadership



Program Director

B. Tate Cutshall, PharmD, BCPS
Clinical Pharmacy Specialist - Internal Medicine
Assistant Professor
University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy
Phone: (901) 478 - 2300
Email: tate.cutshall@mlh.org



Program Coordinator

Drew Wells, PharmD, BCPS
Clinical Pharmacy Specialist - Internal Medicine
Assistant Professor
University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy
Phone: (901) 478 - 2323
Email: drew.wells@mlh.org

2022 – 2023 PGY1 Residents



What Our Recent Graduates Are Saying . . .

“Completing my PGY1 residency at MUH was an invaluable experience. The program's comprehensive structure equipped me with the foundation needed to succeed in a dynamic profession.”

Brennan Herrmann, PharmD, BCCCP
Residency Class of 2018
Clinical Pharmacy Specialist – Critical Care
University of Mississippi Medical Center



“Given the progressive environment, pharmacists at MUH are active participants on institutional committees & professional organizations. Having preceptors who exemplified a high level of engagement provided excellent models for residents to emulate.”

Jennifer Hockings, PharmD, PhD, BCPS
Residency Class of 2015
Clinical Pharmacy Specialist –
Pharmacogenomics Cleveland Clinic

“I cannot rave enough about the training that I received during my PGY-1. The depth of clinical, research, & educational experiences are second to none & put me ahead of the curve in each of these areas throughout PGY-2 & fellowship.”

Taylor Morrisette, PharmD
Residency Class of 2018
Infectious Disease Research Fellow – Wayne State University



Recent Graduates & First Post-Residency Positions Methodist University Hospital • Memphis, TN

2021 - 2022

Jazmin Agee	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, TX
Asia Johnson	PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, TX
Sara Leidy	PGY2 Oncology, University of Kansas Health System, Kansas City, KS
Douglas Nulph	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, North Kansas City Hospital, North Kansas City, MO
Sylvia Stefanos	PGY2 Critical Care, University of Colorado Hospital, Aurora, CO
Erica Thacker	PGY2 Critical Care, Oklahoma University Health, Oklahoma City, OK

2020 - 2021

Sterling Crenshaw	PGY2 Critical Care, University of Colorado, Denver, CO
Taylor Gutwald	PGY2 Critical Care, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA
Jack Lukas	PGY2 Critical Care, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Paul Schotting	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Jenna Summerlin	PGY2 Pediatrics, Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital, St Petersburg, FL
Taylor Waguespack	PGY2 Critical Care, Ochsner Medical Center, New Orleans, LA
Drew Wells	PGY2 Internal Medicine, Methodist University Hospital/ University of Tennessee, Memphis, TN

2019 - 2020

Catherine Moore	PGY2 Critical Care, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Eileen Friery	PGY2 Critical Care, The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, Columbus, OH
Nohely Castro	PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant, University Health Systems, San Antonio, TX
Jenna Ferrante	PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant, The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center, Columbus, OH
Lauren Daigle	PGY2 Internal Medicine, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Will Towers	PGY2 Internal Medicine, Houston Methodist Hospital, Houston, TX
Dipti Patel	Emergency Medicine Pharmacist, TriStar Skyline Medical Center, Nashville, TN



2018 - 2019	
Lauren Kuschel	PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant, Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, NE
Jacob Crossfield	Emergency Medicine Pharmacist, Children's National, Washington, DC
Victor Rivera	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Rachel Hendrix	PGY2 Oncology, Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, TN
Mackenzie Steck	PGY2 Internal Medicine, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Stephanie Barre'	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC
Joshua Crago	Emergency Medicine Pharmacist, Children's National, Washington, DC
2017 - 2018	
Ruchita Amin	PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Brennan Herrmann	PGY2 Critical Care, St Luke's Medical Center, Kansas City, MO
Allison Karabinos	PGY2 Oncology, Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte, NC
Chelsea Mitchell	PGY2 Critical Care, Froedtert Medical Center & the Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI
Taylor Morrisette	PGY2 Infectious Diseases, University of Colorado Medical Center, Denver, CO
J. Tyler Haller	PGY2 Critical Care, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Ryan Cook	PGY2 Emergency Medicine, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
2016 - 2017	
Amie Algrim	Clinical Pharmacist - University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, KS
Erin Davidson	PGY2 Critical Care, Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Samantha Ellingson	PGY2 Internal Medicine, Methodist University Hospital/ University of Tennessee, Memphis, TN
Jared Heiles	PGY2 Infectious Disease, Renown Regional Medical Center, Reno, NV
Hannah Hewgley	PGY2 Emergency Medicine , Methodist University Hospital, Memphis, TN
Rachel Howland	Clinical Lead Pharmacist, Truman Medical Center, Kansas City, MO
Julia Schlensky	PGY2 Internal Medicine, The Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN