

Virginia Mason Medical Center PGY2 Residency in Ambulatory Care



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RESIDENCY YEAR 2024-2025

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Residency Program Overview

The Virginia Mason Medical Center PGY2 residency program in ambulatory care is an ASHP accredited second year residency program established in 2018. This program provides residents with robust learning opportunities in both primary care and specialty clinic settings, as well as a focus on leadership development, teaching, population health, specialty pharmacy, and project management. Residents will be trained in Virginia Mason's management philosophy: the Virginia Mason Production System (VMPS).

Residents will be welcomed as part of our growing team of clinic pharmacist providers. Residents will be credentialed and privileged as providers during their residency year. The residents are based at our main Seattle campus and have opportunities for rotations in our multiple regional medical clinics across the greater Seattle area. Program graduates will be prepared to serve as pharmacist providers, independently managing medication therapy for a variety of chronic conditions under collaborative practice agreements. Residents will gain experience developing therapeutic relationships with patients and their caregivers, managing a busy clinic schedule, and devising care plans utilizing shared decision making. Residents will also develop their project management, problem solving, presentation, teaching, and preceptor skills. Our past residents have gone on to accept positions in both primary care clinics and specialty clinics after the conclusion of their residency. Program graduates will advocate for and advance the role of pharmacist providers in the ambulatory setting.

This residency recruits for two resident positions from candidates throughout the United States who have completed or are completing a PGY1 residency and are eligible for pharmacist licensure in Washington State.

Virginia Mason Medical Center is a non-academic, teaching medical center dedicated to teamwork, innovation, and collaborative care. We have been serving the communities of Seattle and the Pacific Northwest for over 100 years and have a history of developing strong providers.



Required Rotations

After an orientation rotation, residents will do a primary care rotation block at one of our regional medical centers. Residents will then continue in primary care as a continuity clinic 1 day per week. The rest of the week residents will rotate through 5 specialty required rotations and elective experiences. Rotations will be 4-8 weeks in length

Primary Care
Cardiology
Endocrinology
Nephrology and Transplant
Specialty Pharmacy

Longitudinal Rotations

There are also four required longitudinal rotations. These rotations include a variety of experiences spaced throughout the year. They include:

Leadership
Project Management
Teaching
Staffing

Elective Rotations

Time will be reserved for elective experiences. Elective experiences may include:

Gastro-intestinal (GI) Clinic
Rheumatology
Neuroscience Institute
And more

Stipend & Benefits

Benefits include paid time away to be used for vacation and holidays, in addition to available time off for sick leave, as well as medical, dental and life insurance benefits for residents and dependents. Paid educational leave and a travel allowance are available to support attendance at state, regional and national meetings. The current stipend is \$72,737 annually. Additional benefits include paid membership to ASHP, reduced cost public transportation pass, retirement savings options, and a resident specific wellness and resiliency program.

Virginia Mason Culture

Virginia Mason Medical Center has created a culture rooted in continuous quality improvement and interdisciplinary care. At Virginia Mason staff and teams are empowered to innovate and create change. Residents will promote a culture where the patient comes first, quality and safety are the top priorities, and pharmacists practice at the top of their license.

Longitudinal Experiences

Longitudinal experiences will occur throughout the residency year.

Leadership – gain leadership skills through involvement in routine department operations and well as growth strategies. The resident will help lead team meetings, complete lean (VMPS) training, participate in a leadership book club, in addition to many more opportunities for growth as a clinical leader in the pharmacy community.

Project Management – Complete one-two major quality improvement projects which will be presented at ASHP midyear and a regional pharmacy meeting. Residents are encouraged to submit a manuscript for publication. Residents will also participate in various other quality improvement initiatives throughout the year.

Staffing – Staffing commitment is one Saturday every three weeks with our refill authorization service.

Teaching – Residents will have multiple opportunities to precept learners. Residents will precept IPPE and APPE students, and / or PGY1 residents on clinical rotation. Residents will also provide educational presentations to medical residents, pharmacy staff, and other professional groups. Optional teaching opportunities are also available through the UW School of Pharmacy.

Puget Sound Living

The Seattle area is a great place to enjoy the majesty of the Pacific Northwest. The region offers beautiful hikes, boating and fishing opportunities, local breweries and wineries, major league sports, museums, theater, diverse restaurants and shops, a symphony orchestra, skiing, camping, biking and much more! There are three national parks within day's drive. Seattle's neighborhoods are well connected via a bus and light rail transit system.



To apply for the 2024-2025 residency year, access the PhORCAS application portal, create an account, and register with the ASHP Resident Matching Program. Select Virginia Mason Medical Center –PGY2-Ambulatory Care. Match Code: 776665.

Learn more at <https://www.vmfh.org/residencies-fellowships-and-training/post-graduate-residency-programs/pharmacy-residency-virginia-mason-medical-center>