Wellstar MCG Health

PGY2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Residency

The PGY2 ID Residency at Wellstar MCG Health (WMCG) is a 12-month program designed to provide the knowledge and tools necessary to be an expert in ID pharmacotherapy. Program graduates will be prepared for advanced patient care, academia, or other specialized positions in ID, and qualified for ID specialist board certification examination.

Learning Experiences (required)

- General ID Consults I & II
- Immunocompromised ID I & II
- Microbiology Laboratory
- Pediatric ID
- Antimicrobial Stewardship
- Antimicrobial Stewardship Administration
- Clinical Research

Learning Experiences (elective)

- Ambulatory ID
- Hematology/BMT
- May repeat any of the core patient care experiences

Longitudinal Activities

- Formulary Management
- Committee Leadership
- Ryan White HIV Clinic
- Research and Quality Improvement
- Weekend Staffing (every 4th weekend)
- Infectious Diseases Clinical On-Call Program
- Pharmacy Grand Rounds

Highlights

- Complex Patient Populations
 - Solid Organ Transplant
 - Hematology/Bone Marrow Transplant
 - Children's Hospital of Georgia
 - o Level I Trauma Center
 - 8 Critical Care Units
 - Ventricular Assist Device Destination Center
- Interprofessional Opportunities
 - O City Wide ID Grand Rounds
 - O ID Journal Club
 - O Antimicrobial Subcommittee Leadership
- Research and Academics
 - O Robust Clinical Research Department
 - Association with UGA College of Pharmacy and Medical College of Georgia
 - Opportunity to complete a Teaching Certificate through UGA College of Pharmacy

Wellstar MCGH PGY2 Infectious Diseases Preceptors and Staff

Josh Eudy, Pharm.D., BCIDP	PGY2 Infectious Diseases Program Director
	Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee Co-Chair
Daniel Anderson, Pharm.D., BCIDP	PGY2 Infectious Diseases Program Coordinator
	Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee Co-Chair
Margaret Oates, Pharm.D., BCPPS	Pediatric Cystic Fibrosis
	Antimicrobial Stewardship Pharmacist
Amber Ladak, Pharm.D., BCACP, AAHIVP	Clinical HIV Pharmacist
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	Infectious Diseases Fellowship Program Director
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Hasan Samra, MD, D(ABMM), FACP	Director, Medical Microbiology
	Associate Program Director, Pathology Residency

Compensation and Benefits

Residents enjoy a competitive stipend and generous benefits package including accrual of twenty-four days paid-time-off (PTO) as well as professional leave days for meeting attendance, individualized subsidized insurance starting day 1, free parking, matching contributions to a 403-b retirement plan, and a variety of work-life and wellness benefits. The program pays resident travel expenses and registration fees to attend the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and the Southeastern Residency Conference.

Application Process

Applications are submitted electronically through the Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service (PhORCAS). Deadline for receipt of applications is January 2; however, early application is encouraged. On-site interviews are offered to a limited number of applicants based on review of the completed application in PhORCAS.

Applicants must possess a Pharm.D. degree from an ACPE-accredited college or school of pharmacy, have completed or be enrolled in a ASHP-accredited PGY1 program, and must be eligible for licensure as a pharmacist in the State of Georgia.

Application Material Includes:

- 1. Standardized application through PhORCAS (including letter of intent, CV, etc.)
- 2. At least 3 professional references through PhORCAS
- 3. Transcripts (only pharmacy school-related coursework must be submitted)

For more information, refer to online information at http://www.augustahealth.org/pharmacy-residencies

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Recent Department Publications

- Evaluation of Sequential Oral Versus Intravenous Antibiotic Treatment of *Enterococcus faecalis* Bloodstream Infections. Ann Pharmacother. 2024;0(0)
- Evaluation of Short Versus Long Courses of Antibiotics in Critically Ill Patients with Gram-Negative Bloodstream Infections. Ann Pharmacother. Published online February 12, 2024
- Dalbavancin Sequential Therapy for Gram-Positive Bloodstream Infection: A Multicenter Observation Study. Infect Dis Ther. 2024;13(3):565-579.

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- The prevalence of gram-negative bacteria with difficult-to-treat resistance and utilization of novel beta-lactam antibiotics in the southeastern United States. Antimicrob Steward Healthc Epidemiol. 2024 Mar 18;4(1):e35
- Evaluation of anti-methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) prescribing habits in patients with a positive MRSA Nasal Swab in the absence of positive cultures. Pharmacy 2023; 11(3):81