

# PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency

## Providence ElderPlace

Portland, Oregon – Metro Region



### About Our Program

Providence St. Joseph Health (PSJH) is a leading provider of quality medical care in Oregon. As part of our organization's commitment to serving the poor and vulnerable, Providence operates several clinical programs that are specifically dedicated to the provision of geriatric medical care. Our clinical pharmacy services are innovative and continuously evolving to meet the needs of our patient population. Our model allows residents to work within the interdisciplinary care team to provide care that balances an evidence-based approach with the unique considerations involved in caring for older adults.

### Pharmacists at the Forefront of Geriatric Care

The PGY2 Residency in Geriatrics offers patient care experiences in a variety of team-based settings. Residents will learn to work collaboratively with primary care teams, acute care providers, community partners and patients themselves to initiate and adjust medication therapy. In addition to participating in chronic disease state management, they will be trained to recognize and intervene appropriately on geriatric-specific syndromes such as polypharmacy, fall risk and dementia and delirium. The resident will also participate in research, education, committee work and practice leadership, and stewardship activities.

#### Program Strengths

- Focus on geriatric ambulatory care across outpatient settings (in-home and community-based residential care)
- Work within multiple models of providing geriatric care (including the Program for All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly and home-based primary care)
- Longitudinal clinical experiences provide continuity and allow the resident to follow patients as their preferences and care needs evolve
- Interdisciplinary care models allow residents both to serve as a resource AND to learn from other health care professionals
- Be part of the Age Friendly Health System and geriatric mini-fellowship for primary care physicians

#### **By the end of the residency program, the resident will be able to:**

- Establish a collaborative, interdisciplinary practice
- Provide evidence-based, patient-centered treatment for chronic and/or acute illnesses
- Demonstrate leadership and practice management skills
- Make patient-specific pharmacotherapy recommendations that are compatible with an older adult's medical needs, goals of care, values and preferences
- Demonstrate excellence in training and education
- Serve as an authoritative resource for the best use of medications

## Residency Program Purpose Statement

The purpose of the PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency program at Providence St. Joseph Health Oregon Region is to prepare geriatric pharmacist specialists to provide direct patient care as members of a collaborative interdisciplinary practice.

Per the ASHP Accreditation Standard for PGY2 Pharmacy Residency Programs:

PGY2 pharmacy residency programs build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency programs to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists in specialized areas of practice. PGY2 residencies provide residents with opportunities to function independently as practitioners by conceptualizing and integrating accumulated experience and knowledge and incorporating both into the provision of patient care or other advanced practice settings. Residents who successfully complete an accredited PGY2 pharmacy residency are prepared for advanced patient care, academic, or other specialized positions, along with board certification, if available.

## Residency Structure

Residents will engage in longitudinal geriatric ambulatory care rotations with Providence ElderPlace (PACE program), Providence Medical Group at Home (home-based primary care) and the Geriatric Assessment Clinic at Providence Medical Group resident clinics. Time will be allocated for the resident to complete one or more elective learning experiences per their practice interest(s).

## To Apply:

Complete the Online Residency Centralized Application at [ashp.org/PhORCAS](https://www.ashp.org/PhORCAS). Deadline is January 3, 2025

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