



# PGY-2 INTERNAL MEDICINE RESIDENCY

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### HOW IS THE RESIDENCY STRUCTURED?

The Seton Healthcare Family is a 12 hospital network in Austin and the surrounding Central Texas area. The residency is designed to provide the resident with a diverse training program with a focus on Internal Medicine. The resident will gain experience in a variety of inpatient hospital settings (teaching hospital, community hospital, network). After the orientation month, residents complete five to six months of Internal Medicine, one month of Infectious Diseases, and one month of Critical Care. Elective rotations can be completed in the specialties listed below.

### WHAT ROTATIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

#### **PGY-2 Internal Medicine Rotations:**

- Cardiac Transplant \*
- Cardiology \*
- Critical Care \*
- Infectious Diseases \*
- Internal Medicine \*
- Medication Safety and Clinical Pharmacy Administration
- Medical Writing
- Oncology
- Psychiatry

\* Rotation may be available in a community setting

### WHAT ARE THE LONGITUDINAL REQUIREMENTS?

Residents have several longitudinal responsibilities, including completing a research project with a final manuscript write-up for publication, administrative assignments, staffing, monthly journal club participation, and teaching responsibilities. Research and leadership programming is scheduled for the residents throughout the year.

### WHAT ARE THE PGY2 STAFFING REQUIREMENTS?

PGY2 residents participate in clinical staffing approximately one weekend per month (16 hours). Clinical staffing activities include pharmacokinetic monitoring of vancomycin and aminoglycosides, anticoagulation monitoring and education, as well as completion of other clinical initiatives.

### DOES THE RESIDENT GET EXPOSURE TO TEACHING?

The PGY2 Internal Medicine residency program is affiliated with the University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy. The resident will receive an academic appointment as an Instructor of Clinical Pharmacy and complete a required academic training program. The resident will teach didactic lectures, facilitate a small group Pharmacotherapeutics lab, assist in precepting fourth year pharmacy students on Adult Medicine rotations, and participate in a weekly seminar series at the university.

### WHAT SETS THIS RESIDENCY APART FROM OTHER INTERNAL MEDICINE RESIDENCIES?

This program has been in existence for over 20 years. Our Internal Medicine resident spends five to six months on Internal Medicine rotations and all preceptors in the program are PGY2 trained in their specialty with active clinical practices. Upon completion of this residency, the resident will be able to independently practice as an Internal Medicine pharmacist in an academic, community, or network hospital setting. The resident will gain experience developing and implementing clinical initiatives both globally and site-based. This will include the development of policies, procedures, clinical initiatives, and education to various healthcare providers. Our graduates are prepared to accept a position as a clinical specialist in Internal Medicine or a non-tenure track faculty member with a significant commitment to Internal Medicine practice.

## IS THERE SUPPORT TO ATTEND MEETINGS?

The resident is given financial support to attend the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and the Southwestern Regional Residency Conference (ALCALDE). Administrative leave is given to the resident to attend these meetings.

## HOW MUCH VACATION DO THE RESIDENTS RECEIVE?

The resident accumulates 15 days of paid time off (PTO) and 8 days of holiday according to the Seton Healthcare Family PTO policy. We discourage taking vacation all at once as this may detract from the training experience; however, all attempts will be made to honor PTO requests.

## WHAT ARE THE HEALTH BENEFITS?

As full-time employees, residents receive medical and dental coverage. Employees may choose between two medical and dental options for self and dependents. See the benefits summary at [www.seton.net/employment/benefits](http://www.seton.net/employment/benefits) for more information.

## WHAT IS THE RESIDENT STIPEND?

The PGY2 residency stipend for 2014-2015 was approximately \$48,000.

## HOW IS THE ONSITE INTERVIEW STRUCTURED?

The onsite interview will last one full day (approximately 8am—4pm). The residency applicant will spend time at both University Medical Center Brackenridge and the University of Texas at Austin. A 30 minute PowerPoint presentation of a patient case or clinical topic is required. Applicants should bring a portfolio of their work to the interview. Examples may include: handouts from journal club/in-service/case presentations, formulary monographs, newsletter articles, or publications.

## IS THERE A SETON EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION TO FILL OUT?

Once candidates have been selected for an onsite interview, they will complete a Seton employment application (may be completed online at [www.seton.net](http://www.seton.net) by applying for the PGY2 Internal Medicine residency position.)

## DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE ASHP MATCH PROGRAM?

Yes! Our program code is 626656.

All application materials must be received by **January 2, 2015**. The application must be completed through the PhORCAS system.

### Completed applications include:

- ⇒ Letter of intent
- ⇒ 3 letters of recommendation
- ⇒ Curriculum vitae
- ⇒ Academic transcripts

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