



## **Fort Meade & Hot Springs, SD**

### **PGY1 Residency with an Emphasis in Ambulatory Care**

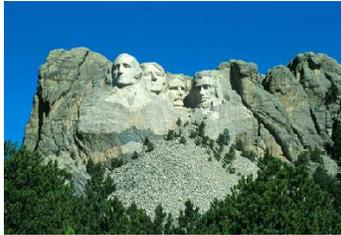


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VA Black Hills Health Care System is located in the beautiful Black Hills of western South Dakota, where we are known for our blue skies, pine forests, rich history, moderate climate and friendliness. VA Black Hills provides primary and secondary medical and surgical care, along with residential rehabilitation treatment program (RRTP) services, extended nursing home care and tertiary psychiatric inpatient services, for veterans residing in South Dakota and portions of Nebraska, Wyoming, North Dakota and Montana. Care to approximately 20,000 veterans is delivered through the Fort Meade (near Sturgis) and Hot Springs VA Medical Centers, as well as through a number of our community based outpatient clinics and rural health clinics. VA Black Hills is part of the VA Midwest Health Care Network.

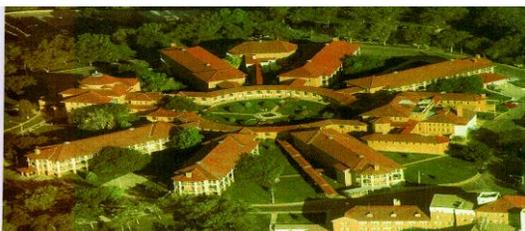
#### **Clinical Pharmacy Services**

Pharmacy is involved in all aspects of medication management. With the implementation of physician order entry, barcode technology, cartless distribution, robotics, and technical support for distributive functions, we are able to focus on clinical activities.

Hot Springs has seven Clinical Pharmacy Specialists (CPS) and ten technicians. Fort Meade has 17 CPS, and 12 technicians. There are three South Dakota State University (SDSU) College of Pharmacy faculty, four PGY1 residents and one PGY2 resident. The pharmacies are staffed Monday through Friday from 730a-515p, with limited holidays and weekends.

#### **Educational Affiliations**

The VA Black Hills Health Care System is a teaching institution affiliated with SDSU Colleges of Pharmacy and Nursing, University of South Dakota School of Medicine, and Western Dakota Technical Institute.



**Hot Springs Campus**



**Fort Meade Campus**

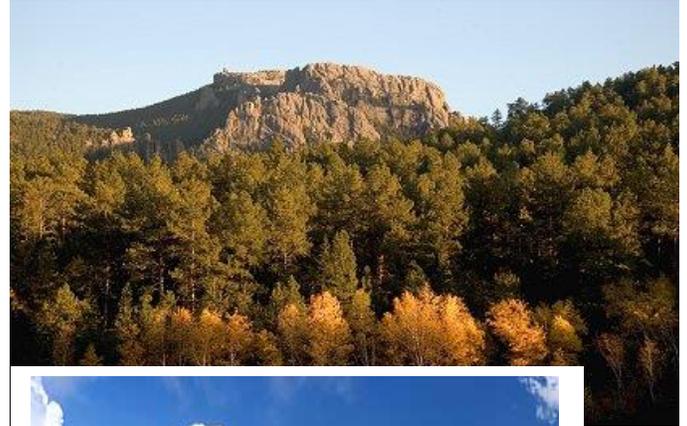
## Residency Experiences

The goal of the VA Black Hills residency program is to expand the resident's knowledge and hone the skills necessary to provide high quality, compassionate pharmaceutical care as an integral member of the health care team. It is designed to prepare pharmacists for advanced level practice in an ambulatory care setting. Ideal candidates will be motivated, flexible, and able to provide feedback to help us shape our program.

The training program will strive to meet the individual needs of the resident. Components of the residency program may include:

### ***Ambulatory Care Practice:***

- Medication Management
  - Anticoagulation
  - Diabetes
  - Hypertension
  - Lipids
  - Medication Reconciliation
- Home Based Primary Care
- Pain Management
- Pharmacy Telehealth
- Dialysis (Hot Springs)
- Oncology (Fort Meade)
- Hepatitis C (Fort Meade)
- Mental Health (Hot Springs)



### ***Inpatient Practice:***

- Internal Medicine 1
- Internal Medicine 2 (Fort Meade)
- Critical Care (Fort Meade)
- Long Term Care

### ***Additional opportunities include:***

- Practice Management
- Drug Information
- Residency Project
- Teaching Certificate
- Practice Coverage



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## **Clinical meetings**

Residents are engaged in local meetings including: staff meetings, residency meetings, interdisciplinary team meetings and Pharmacy & Therapeutics, at a minimum. Additionally, residents are to attend ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting, Midwest Pharmacy Residency Conference, South Dakota State Association meeting(s), and possibly regional VA pharmacy meetings.

## **Hours, Salary, and Benefits**

Hours are 7:30a-5p Monday through Friday with limited assigned holidays and weekends. Residents will receive a stipend of \$41,098 which includes salary plus health and life insurance. Fringe benefits include 13 days of paid leave, 13 days of paid sick leave, and 10 paid holidays, lab coat, and free parking. On-site housing is available at a reduced rate. If interested, please inquire at interview.

## **Start Date and Duration**

We have four positions, two at each medical center that will begin the pay period closest to July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Federal Employment

Contingent upon completion of a physical exam, including negative drug test. Applicants must meet the requirements for federal employment. Residents are required to obtain a pharmacist's license in any state within 3 months of appointment.

CPS and residents use their prescribing privileges in collaboration with the medical team to help optimize patient care and reach treatment goals.

## Area Attractions

There are many places of interest located within the Black Hills area. Additional information can be found: [www.travelsd.com](http://www.travelsd.com) or [www.blackhillsbadlands.com](http://www.blackhillsbadlands.com)

## How to apply

VA BHHCS will be utilizing ASHP PhORCAS: [www.ashp.org/phorcas](http://www.ashp.org/phorcas)

- U.S. Citizenship
- Letter of intent
- Curriculum vitae
- College transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation
- Residency Matching Program participant

### Match Rules:

This residency site agrees that no person at this site will solicit, accept, or use any ranking related information from any residency applicant.

**Application Deadline:** January 10th

**Interview Notification Date:** Candidates will be notified of interview status no later than February 15.

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