PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY
A REWARDING CAREER PATH

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73 POST GRADUATE YEAR 2 (PGY2) RESIDENCY PROGRAMS

“Psychiatry is the art of healing broken hearts and minds. As a psychiatric pharmacist, I enjoy helping people use the powerful tools of medications safely and effectively. AAPP has provided me with the resources and connections to be successful in this field.”

– Joseph Cusimano

2022 Residency Positions = 103

60 Matched

43 Early Commit

9 Unfilled

“A PGY2 provided me the time and resources to become an expert in the field of psychiatric pharmacy. I was able to grow my skills, abilities, and confidence to resolve complex medication problems and secure a rewarding job in my field.”

– Carly Rainey

RESIDENCY EXPERIENCES

PGY2 psychiatric pharmacy residents engage in a breadth of learning activities that provide experiences that enable them to achieve competency area goals and objectives which facilitate their specialization and proficiency as a psychiatric pharmacist.

Required: Adult inpatient psychiatry; Adult outpatient psychiatry

Selective: Academia; Child and adolescent psychiatry; Consultation liaison psychiatry; Chronic, intermediate, or extended inpatient psychiatric care; Developmental disabilities; Geriatric psychiatry; Neurology; Pain management; Substance abuse

Elective: Administration; Community mental health screening; Emergency psychiatry; Forensic psychiatry; Mental health court; Psychopharmacology laboratory and pharmacokinetics; Specialty clinic

TOP 5 KEYS TO GETTING HIRED

Residency Program Directors (RPDs) involved in hiring psychiatric pharmacists report the top 5 things they look for in candidates.

PGY2 psychiatric residency

52%

BCPP credential

49%

PGY1 residency

30%

Clinical work experience

28%

Teaching experience

10%

PGY2 JOB TYPES

Psychiatry Focused Positions

81%

Partial Psychiatry Focused Positions

16%

N/A

3%

THE UNITED STATES NEEDS MORE PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACISTS

32% shortage of psychiatrists by 2030

HRSA, 2019

An opportunity to make a real difference and find job security

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JOBS FOR PGY2 RESIDENTS

Based on Residency Program Director (RPD) survey data collected by AAPP, 98% of 2022 PGY2 residents obtained employment within 3 months of residency completion.