PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY
A REWARDING CAREER PATH

MEANINGFUL WORK

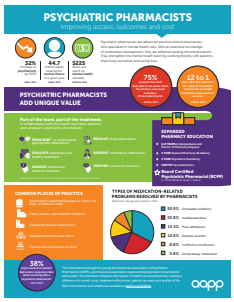
WHY CHOOSE PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY AS YOUR SPECIALTY?

"My career in psychiatric pharmacy has allowed me to combine a passion for mental health with expertise in psychiatric medication management to have a meaningful impact on patients' lives."
–Talia Miles

"I chose psychiatric pharmacy because I want to be a part of breaking the stigma surrounding mental health and help patients through medication therapy."
–McKenna Geesey

"I chose psychiatric pharmacy as my specialty because I enjoy the subjectiveness involved in the management of mental health conditions and being able to tailor treatment to each patient's needs"
–Jamie Harpel

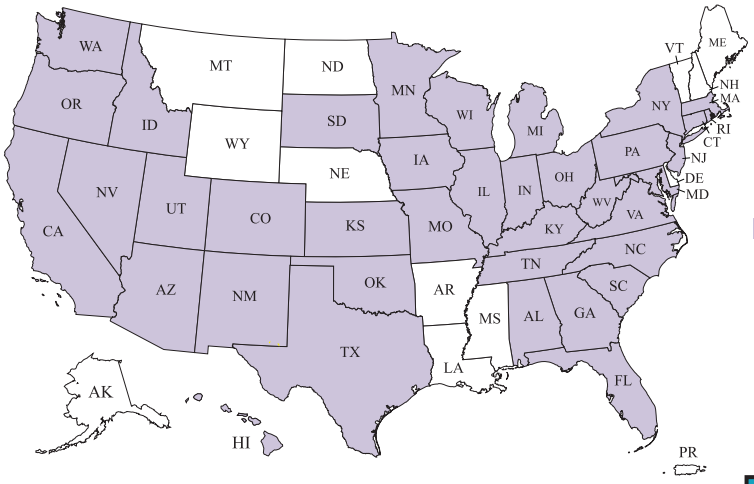
Improving access, outcomes and cost



Practice profiles and more information on psychiatric pharmacy are available at **aapp.org/psychpharm**

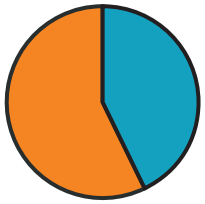
PGY2 PSYCHIATRIC RESIDENCIES

72 POST GRADUATE YEAR 2 (PGY2) RESIDENCY PROGRAMS



Residencies available
Residency locations accurate as of 12/2024

2024 Residency Positions = 105



45 Matched
60 Early Commit
0 Unfilled

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; Outpatient clinic, "partial hospitalization", or day treatment center

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

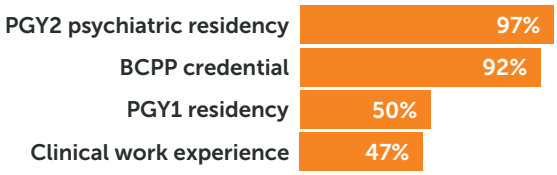
Elective: Administration; Community mental health screening; Emergency psychiatry; Forensic psychiatry; Mental health court; Psychopharmacology laboratory and pharmacokinetics; Specialty clinic; Academia

"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."

JOB PROSPECTS

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 JOB TYPES

73% obtained a position with a focus on general mental health

13% obtained substance use disorder focused positions

13% employed in other roles including Child/Adolescent Psychiatry, Integrated Care, Specific Psychiatric Disorder Clinics

1% Unknown

JOBS FOR PGY2 RESIDENTS

Based on Residency Program Director (RPD) survey data collected by AAPP, 85% of 2024 PGY2 residents obtained employment within 3 months prior to residency completion. After residency completion, 96% of residents were reported as employed with 4% unknown or still looking for a position.

THE UNITED STATES NEEDS MORE PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACISTS

74% shortage of **adult psychiatrists** by 2037
HRSA, 2024

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