**PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY**  
**A REWARDING CAREER PATH**

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### WHY CHOOSE PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACY AS YOUR SPECIALTY?

- **I chose to become a psychiatric pharmacist to help provide care to a population that is so often misunderstood and poorly represented in today's society.**  
  - Michael Diduch
- **I have always been fascinated by mental health disorders and how the brain works. Psychiatry is both an ‘art’ and a science—there is no one right answer.**  
  - Nina Vadiei
- **Becoming a psychiatric pharmacist has enabled me to help others live their best lives, both physically and emotionally.**  
  - Samantha Vogel

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### 72 POST GRADUATE YEAR 2 (PGY2) RESIDENCY PROGRAMS

![Map of the United States indicating residency positions](image)

*2020 Residency Positions = 100*

- **54** Matched
- **44** Early Commit
- **2** Unfilled

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### 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**: 67%
- **BCPP credential**: 60%
- **Clinical work experience**: 30%
- **PGY1 residency**: 28%
- **Teaching experience**: 18%

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### 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**: 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

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### JOBS FOR PGY2 RESIDENTS

Based on Residency Program Director (RPD) survey data collected by CPNP, 97% of 2020 PGY2 residents obtained employment within 3 months of residency completion. An increasing proportion of residents are obtaining positions with 100% psychiatry focus.

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### THE UNITED STATES NEEDS MORE PSYCHIATRIC PHARMACISTS

![Icon of a down arrow indicating a shortage of psychiatrists](image)

- **32% shortage of psychiatrists by 2030**  
  - HRSA, 2019

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### MORE INFORMATION

- **Practice profiles and more information on psychiatric pharmacy are available at cpnp.org/psychpharm**
- **Residencies available Residency locations accurate as of 8/2021**

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*An opportunity to make a real difference and find job security*