The psychiatric pharmacy and neurology pharmacy services offered are a collaborative effort between Princeton House Behavioral Health, Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital and Rutgers University Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy.

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Specialty Residency in

Neuro-psychopharmacology

Program Goals:

The primary goal of the program is to offer advanced training in psychiatric and neurologic pharmacy with an emphasis on the following areas:

1. Assessment and evaluation of the pharmacological treatment of patients with psychiatric and neurologic conditions.
2. Development and enhancement of teaching skills through didactic and experiential teaching of Doctor of Pharmacy students.
3. Development and enhancement of written and oral communication skills..
4. Development of research skills.

Training Site:

The psychiatry practice site is the Princeton House Behavioral Health (PHBH), which comprises of adult psychiatry, dual diagnosis, adult detoxification, adult short-term care facility, and adolescent substance dependence services. PHBH consists of a total of 100 beds. There is also five Outpatient Programs associated with PHBH throughout Central and South Jersey.

Robert-Wood Johnson University Hospital will serve as the neurology practice site. They offer multiple outpatient neurology clinics in the fields of Epilepsy, Sleep Disorders, Headaches, Parkinson's Disease, and other movement disorders.
The Alexander Pavilion at Monmouth Medical Center consists of a total of 62 inpatient psychiatric beds. The psychiatric facility comprises of 1 voluntary adult unit with a large dual diagnosis population, 1 adult involuntary unit, 1 adult mixed voluntary and involuntary unit, and 1 child/adolescent unit. There is also an Intensive Outpatient Program, Partial Hospitalization Program and Outpatient Psychiatric Clinic associated with Monmouth Medical Center.

Staffing:

There are no staffing requirements for the residency. Opportunities for extra work in the hospital pharmacy are available.

Responsibilities:

Though certain responsibilities of the resident are required, the program has the flexibility to develop activities consistent with the resident's background and career goals. In general, the resident responsibilities include:

1. Attend daily rounds at the PHBH and make appropriate recommendations to inter-disciplinary treatment teams
2. Participate in outpatient neurology clinics at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital
3. Design, monitor, and evaluate treatment goals for psychiatric patients that consider patient-, disease-, and drug-specific information and ethical considerations
4. Present educational in-services on pharmacy topics to patients, pharmacy staff, and inter-disciplinary treatment team
5. Supervising pharmacy students on clerkship and on site visits.
6. Present didactic lectures to pharmacy students at the Rutgers Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy
7. Completion of a research project related to the provision of psychiatric and/or neurologic pharmacy care, as well as presenting this research at a national conference

Qualifications:

Applicants should hold a Pharm.D. degree be licensed (or eligible for licensure) in New Jersey, and possess good communication and interpersonal skills. Pharmacy practice residency is not required, but preferred. The position is available beginning July 1st for a 12 month appointment.

Application:

Inquiries should be sent to:

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Applicants are required to submit a letter of intent, curriculum vitae, college transcript and three letters of reference to the above address, as well as an electronic copy. The application deadline is January 15th. Onsite interviews will be scheduled at that time.

Benefits:

Residents receive a comprehensive benefits package from Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, including health care. Financial support is provided for residents to attend two national meetings, with one being the Eastern States Residency Conference.