

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital is a 600-bed nationally distinguished academic medical center. It has consistently been ranked as one of America's Best Hospitals by *U.S. News and World Report*. It serves as the principal teaching hospital for UMDNJ--Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. RWJUH is also home to one of the area's only Level 1 Trauma Centers. RWJUH combines world-class research and innovative treatments with the highest level of patient care through its Centers of Excellence, which include:

- The Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Hospital
- The Cancer Center of Excellence
- The Cardiovascular Center of Excellence

In addition to the Specialized Residency in Drug Information, the hospital offers two Pharmacy Practice Residencies (PGY-1) and a Specialized Residency in Emergency Medicine (PGY-2).

### Primary Preceptor of the Residency

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## Program Goals

The primary goal of the program is to offer advanced training in drug information practice with an emphasis on the following areas:

1. Information retrieval, evaluation and application of evidence based medicine principles.
2. Development and enhancement of written and oral communication skills.
3. Development and enhancement of teaching skills through didactic and experiential teaching of Doctor of Pharmacy students.
4. Development and enhancement of administrative and organizational skills.
5. Development of research skills.

## Training Site

The primary training site is the Drug Information Service, located at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. The Drug Information Service was founded in 1989 to serve the healthcare professionals of the State of New Jersey. The Service currently responds to approximately 1,000 requests annually.

Two elective rotations are available on a rounding clinical service, industry-based drug information, investigational drug, poison control services, or other sites based on the residence interest and availability. Unique off-site rotations have included UHC, USP and the FDA.

A Residency Teaching Certificate Program is also available through the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

## 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. Provision of Drug Information Service through processing drug information.
2. Assisting in the coordination of administrative activities of the Drug Information Service.
3. Participation in the activities of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee through development and presentation of formulary monographs, and participation in decisions pertaining to drug therapy, pharmacoeconomic analyses and formulary management.
4. Participation in the hospital's adverse drug reaction reporting program, drug utilization evaluation program and medication errors reporting program.
5. Preparing and presenting lectures in the Essentials of Drug Information and Medical Writing courses, and other courses at the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy.
6. Supervising pharmacy students on the Drug Information clerkship and on-site visits.
7. Attending and presenting continuing education programs at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital for the pharmacy staff.
8. Writing and editing of Drug Information Service publications and website.
9. Completion of a project related to the provision of Drug Information Service.
10. Complete an article for publication in an appropriate pharmacy journal.

## Qualifications

Applicants should hold a Pharm.D. degree, be licensed (or eligible for licensure) in New Jersey, and possess good communication and interpersonal skills. A PGY-1 residency is recommended but not required.

The position is available beginning July 1, for a 12-month appointment.

## Application

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Applicants are required to submit a letter of intent and three letters of reference to the above address. The application deadline is January 1. On-site interviews will be scheduled at that time.

## Benefits

Residents receive a comprehensive benefits package from Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, including healthcare. Financial support is provided for residents to attend the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and the Eastern States Residency Conference.

## Staffing

Residents are required to staff in the hospital pharmacy satellites three out of every nine weekends and holiday commitment.