



Department of Pharmacy
PGY2 Internal Medicine

Program Purpose

PGY2 residency programs build upon Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) education and PGY1 pharmacy residency training to develop pharmacist practitioners with knowledge, skills, and abilities as defined in the educational competency areas, goals, and objectives for advanced practice areas. Residents who successfully complete PGY2 residency programs are prepared for advanced patient care or other specialized positions, and board certification in the advanced practice area, if available.

Program Structure for 2026-2027

Residency program experiences include a combination of concentrated, extended, and longitudinal rotation experiences. Residents must complete all required rotations and 5 elective rotations. Availability of experiences are as follows:

Learning Experience	Type of Experience	Duration	Sequence During Residency Year	Comments
Core (Required)				
Orientation	Non-Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st Block	
Advanced Internal Medicine 1	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st Half Preferred	
Advanced Internal Medicine 2	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st Half Preferred	
Advanced Internal Medicine 3	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	2 nd Half Preferred	
Hepatology	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	2 nd Half Preferred	
Nephrology	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Pulmonary Medicine	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st Half preferred	
Elective (up to 4 pending completions in PGY1)				
Ambulatory Care	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Clinical Cardiology	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Critical Care ¹	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	

Drug Info/Med Safety	Non-Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Emergency Medicine	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Infectious Diseases ¹	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Neurology	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Outpatient Pulmonology	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Transplant	Direct Patient Care	4 weeks	1 st or 2 nd Half	
Longitudinal				
Staffing	Direct Patient Care	Longitudinal (52 weeks) (15 weekends/year + 2 Cleveland Clinic recognized holidays)	Longitudinal	Central pharmacy 1 st half of the year and IM clinical weekends 2 nd half of year
Research	Non-Patient Care	Longitudinal (52 weeks) ² (~3-5 hrs/week)	Longitudinal	One large research project and one small project (MUE). One 4-week block dedicated in December, plus 2 additional weeks throughout the year
Teaching/Presentations	Non-Patient Care	Longitudinal (52 weeks) ² (~1-2 presentations per month)	Longitudinal	APPE student and PGY1 resident precepting, presentations at Resident Conference (3 per year), IM conference (4 per year), and 3 APPE student lectures throughout the year. Informal journal club lunch and learn once per month. Approximately 1 case or journal club presentation assigned per learning experience
Medication Use Systems	Non-Patient Care	Longitudinal (52 weeks) ² (~2 hrs/month)	Longitudinal	Resident will be assigned to the IM P&T subcommittee, which meets quarterly, and will be responsible for agenda planning and taking meeting minutes
On Call	Direct Patient Care	Longitudinal- 52 weeks (minimum of 12 shifts/year)	Longitudinal	Resident on-call shifts consist of 6-hour on-site duties (from 3-9pm) see On Call Guide for list of responsibilities.

¹ Required if not completed as a PGY1 Resident

2 Please note: projects, presentation preparation, and certain other activities will require you to invest time outside of a normal workday. This will be the case throughout your professional career.