

**Veterans Affairs  
Medical Center and  
Idaho State University**



**Postgraduate Year 1  
Pharmacy Practice  
Residency**





2008-2009 PGY-1 Residents (front row left to right): Dr. Randi Griffiths, Dr. Kristin Silvis, Dr. Tushia Perry

Back Row: Dr. Lindsay Black, Dr. Seth Thomas, Dr. Mauricio Patino

## The Program

The Boise Veterans Affairs Medical Center and Idaho State University College of Pharmacy offer a post-graduate year one (PGY1) ASHP-accredited, non-degree granting residency program. Under new ASHP standards, our training programs are designed to:

- participate in pharmacist-managed outpatient clinics (hypertension, hyperlipidemia, insulin titration, obesity, smoking cessation)
- manage and improve the medication process
- provide evidence-based, patient-centered medication therapy management with the interdisciplinary team
- utilize medical informatics
- exercise leadership and practice management skills
- demonstrate project management skills
- provide expertise in medication utilization and practice related education/training
- develop skills necessary to become an effective didactic and clinical educator, skilled clinician, and scholar

Additionally, residents are required to:

- conduct pharmacy practice research to present at the Western States Conference for Pharmacy Residents, Fellows and Preceptors
- exercise added leadership and practice management skills

## The Program, cont.

- contribute to formulary decisions
- provide drug information to health care professionals and/or the public
- demonstrate additional competencies that contribute to working successfully in the health care environment



2008-2009 PGY-1 resident, Dr. Kristin Silvis, counsels a veteran.

Photo courtesy of Mauricio Patino PharmD

## Clinical Training Site

The clinical training site for this residency program is the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. This site is the primary location for a model teaching site where well-qualified pharmacists will contribute to the training of residents in the areas of family medicine, infectious disease, psychiatry, geriatrics, internal medicine and pediatrics. The goals of each resident are customized to account for their strengths, weaknesses and personal interests to help ensure their training is optimal. Residents will be appointed to the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy faculty as a lecturer.



Dr. Seth Thomas and Dr. Tushia Perry,  
2008-2009 PGY-1 residents



PGY-1 residents are afforded abundant opportunities to participate in pharmacist-managed outpatient clinics.

Dr. Randi Griffiths PharmD, measures a veteran's blood pressure .

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## Curriculum

A minimum of 2,000 clock hours over a 12-month period is required for successful completion of the program. During this time residents are provided with orientation, instruction and experience in, but not limited to:

- geriatrics
- psychiatric/mental health
- primary care
- internal medicine
- teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> professional year students through lecture and case study presentations
- precepting 4<sup>th</sup> professional year students in advanced pharmacy practice experience (APPE)
- pharmacist-managed primary care clinics
- pediatrics

## Qualification of the Applicant

The applicant must be a graduate of a school of pharmacy accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education, be a U.S. citizen, possess the Doctor of Pharmacy degree, and be licensed to practice in one of the States, territories of the United States, or District of Columbia.

The applicant must demonstrate leadership abilities, professional competence, communication skills, professional development, scholastic achievement, dependability, and ability to work with others.

These qualities will be judged through personal interviews, interviews with peers, pharmacy school transcripts and letters of recommendation from instructors, supervisors, and others acquainted with the applicant in conjunction with the application.



Dr. Mauricio Patino, 2008-2009 PGY-1 resident, counsels a veteran. Photo courtesy of Mauricio Patino PharmD

## Selection of Applicant

Selection of the applicant will be made by the Residency Selection Committee and the Idaho State University College of Pharmacy in cooperation with the Chief of Pharmacy Service at Boise VAMC.

Interested applicants must participate in the ASHP Resident Matching Program. **Applicants must also apply to each program independently of the Match.** Send a letter describing your professional goals, current curriculum vitae, Optional Form OF306 and VA form 10-2850c completed with signature, a copy of transcripts of all college work, and 3 letters of reference **by the same deadline date as the ASHP Resident Matching Program** to:

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## About Boise

**B**oise, the “City of Trees” is the capital and largest metropolitan area in Idaho. Approximately 400,000 people live in the Treasure Valley.

The area’s largest employers are SuperValu, Bechtel, Hewlett-Packard, Micron Technology, St. Luke’s Regional Medical Center, Walmart, and JR Simplot Co.

The state of Idaho is known worldwide for its majestic mountain ranges towering over streams and rivers, forests, mountain lakes and outdoor recreational experiences. Boise is transected by the Boise River and a greenbelt walking/biking path throughout the city.

There is an active arts community featuring the Idaho Shakespeare Festival at a beautiful outdoor



Mountain Biking in the Boise Foothills

amphitheater near the Boise River, The Boise Contemporary Theater, The Boise Philharmonic, The Boise Art Museum, Ballet Idaho, Opera Idaho, The Gene Harris Jazz Festival, Bogus Basin Ski resort, and many more. We are also host to a variety of sporting events such as IronMan 70.3, Boise State University athletics, Albertson's Boise Open Golf Tournament, The Twilight Criterium, The Race to Robie Creek (the toughest half-marathon in the northwest!), Idaho Women's Fitness Celebration, Boise Burn Arena Football, Idaho Steelheads Minor League Ice Hockey, and Idaho Stampede Basketball.



Stanley Lake in the Sawtooth Mountains

Photo courtesy of Steve Graff RPh



Idaho Shakespeare Festival Amphitheater

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There are also many miles of mountain biking/  
hiking trails within minutes of the hospital grounds.

Idaho State University College of Pharmacy offers a  
doctor of pharmacy degree and has campuses lo-  
cated Pocatello, four hours east of Boise, and in the  
Boise area at a new facility in Meridian.



Backcountry skiing in Idaho is awesome!

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