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**CalOptima**

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# PGY-1 MANAGED CARE PHARMACY RESIDENCY



Located in Orange County, California  
close to surf, sand and Disneyland



Our mission is to provide members with access to quality health care services delivered in a cost-effective and compassionate manner. As Orange County's largest health insurer, we provide coverage through four major programs.

- **Medi-Cal (California's Medicaid Program)** for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities
- **OneCare (HMO SNP) (a Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plan)** for low-income seniors and people with disabilities who qualify for both Medicare and Medi-Cal
- **PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly)** for older adults, providing comprehensive health services through the CalOptima PACE center
- **OneCare Connect Cal MediConnect Plan (Medicare-Medicaid Plan)** for people who qualify for both Medicare and Medi-Cal, combining Medicare and Medi-Cal benefits, adding supplemental benefits for vision, transportation and dental services, and providing comprehensive care coordination

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The CalOptima PGY-1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency program will provide the resident with a broad overview of managed care pharmacy practice at a County Organized Health System (COHS), with additional opportunities for direct patient care through a variety of clinical services. CalOptima administers health insurance programs for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities in Orange County, California.

## RESIDENCY GOALS

- Design and implement clinical programs to enhance patient care
- Ensure the safety and quality of the medication-use system for health plan members
- Implement effective pharmacy benefits to serve the Medicaid and Medicare populations
- Provide written clinical communication for patients, providers and pharmacies
- Demonstrate effective patient interview skills and medication counseling in the health plan setting
- Strengthen leadership and project management skills
- Develop and complete a residency project suitable for presentation at the annual Western States Pharmacy Conference

*“Better. Together.” is our motto, but it’s also our philosophy. We believe that by working together, we can make things better – for our members and community.*

## CLINICAL EXPERIENCES

- Medication Therapy Management (MTM)
- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
- Specialty medication management
- Medicaid and Medicare coverage determination criteria development and review
- Interdisciplinary Care Team (ICT) participation
- Clinical newsletter development
- Drug monograph completion
- Clinical guideline development
- Transitions of Care (TOC) program participation

## MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCES

- PBM oversight and audit
- Policies and procedures development and maintenance
- Medicaid and Medicare regulations review
- Business proposal development
- HEDIS/Star measure focused projects
- Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) committee participation and presentations

## BENEFITS

- Competitive stipend with holiday pay and three weeks paid time off
- Full health benefits
- Tuition reimbursement for residency-related education skill development
- AMCP Fall Conference
- Western States Residency Conference

## CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS

- Candidate must be a graduate of an accredited school of pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree
- Candidate must be eligible for licensure in the state of California by July 1 and obtain licensure by October 31 of the current calendar year
- Candidate must have knowledge of:
  - » Current clinical pharmacotherapeutics and disease state management
  - » Principles of pharmacoeconomics
  - » Managed health care principles and managed health care organizations
  - » Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel and PowerPoint)
  - » Oral and visual presentation and marketing techniques for pharmacy programs
- Application materials must include:
  - » Current Curriculum Vitae
  - » Letter of intent, which must address:
    - Career objectives
    - Goals and expectations of a residency program
  - » Official school of pharmacy transcript
  - » Three letters of recommendation
  - » All application materials must be received by the deadline. For deadline, see [www.amcp.org/residencies](http://www.amcp.org/residencies).
- Phone and on-site interview for selected candidates

