

Pharmacy Resident Panel 3/3

Dennis - undergrad in Nigeria, BS applied chemistry, match with UCD residency, practice maternal medicine

Jessica - Univ Washington, B.S neurobiology, UCSF for Pharmacy School, committed to critical care for PGY2

Haley - Univ Alabama undergraduate, Univ NC for Pharmacy School, emergency medicine

Jenny - Mississippi Undergraduate, international studies major

Carolyn - UCI undergraduate, BS Pharmaceutical Sciences, UCSF pharmacy school, critical care

Jackie - UCLA undergraduate, Pharmacy school Western, focus oncology

Frank - 6 year track program, committed to UCD for PGY2, Oncology

Pulkit - Born in India, SoCal, Calpoly Pomona, Univ Colorado for Pharmacy School, focus in international emergency medicine

Panel

different aspects of Pharmacy: ambulatory, industry, research, etc

Join clubs and get experience, industry club, etc

Pursue higher education - MPH, JD, MDA, business, Academia etc

Q: What did you not know going into Pharmacy School that you wish you knew?

A: I did not expect a lot of debt. I was surprised about how many times I was able to change my focus of interest, I got really excited. It is nice to explore. I love the profession, because there are so many different specialties.

There are many perspectives, get exposed (industry, research, etc) Build up more relationships with professors in Pharmacy Schools (this is the foundation), make connections with professors, these people will help you go to the next level after Pharmacy School.

Q: Is there a difference in salaries?

A: Salaries usually plateau, we look more at the training and experience in specialty than anything else, in terms of hiring. Salary for Pharmacist is very good, ratio is in the advantage of a Pharmacist vs any other health care provider. Pharmacy is 2 years of Residency compared to Physician which is 4+++ years

Q: How hard is it to get into the specialty of your choice?

A: Depends on how popular it is. You want a pharmacy school that will give you the best experiences, build relationships in the first year and get your grades up. These will contribute to your application to specialties. Think, what did you do that stood out? There are components of the application that are specific. Letter of Recommendations can make or break you. Write different letters for each program you apply to. Go above and beyond. Stick with one leadership role and show growth in it. Go for diverse experiences and you will find your calling.

Q: What does a rotation day look like?

A: Pulkit - medication safety, system changes, start at 7am - 4PM, 4 week rotations
Look at where we can do improvements on trigger reports for medication. Not patient care.

Frank - Infectious disease, patient lists and see what infections they had and medications/antibiotics they were on. Come up with recommendations - attending pharmacist is watching to see if the thought process was correct. Attending Disease Physician, medical students, ask for pharmacy input and provide recommendations

Jackie and Carolyn - operations, helps get medication to the patient, shift based, medication workflow, IV room, compounding medications from Pharmacist standpoint, operations in the background.

Carolyn - Toxicology, Pharmacists who are hired at the poison control center. Two fold - answer public calls for overdose, etc recommendations to the public, Healthcare associated with physicians - small hospitals calling for advice. Toxicologists and fellows are attending.

Jenny - pediatric ICU, 20-22 patients. pneumonia, motor vehicle accidents, etc. Team is dietician, attending, nurses, medical students. making recommendations and make sure that the meds get to the patient. Topic discussions: seizures, pediatric, etc

Haley - emergency medicine: 68 beds 120 patients, hands-on to receive incoming patients, set up and recommend in a close knit team. What medicines should be recommended, problem solving, behavioral health issues.

Jessica - ICU - general medical problems. Rounds of patients and rounding with the team.

Dennis - Cardiology, working with patients, dealing with heart failure patients, heart attacks, anticoagulation, topic discussions

We have Pharmacy students that are on rotations with us. You get to learn and help teach. Transplant Pharmacist, many specialties, Pharmacists are really on the frontline in Hospitals.

Q: When do you apply for the residency?

A: People usually apply during their last year, shorter timeline sue at end of December, need Letter of Recs, CVs, interviews January, match in March, start residency in the summer after you graduate. Usually no Gap year, hard to go back

Keep up with your CV. Continue relationships with professors

Name	email (if you want to sign up for the newsletter)	clan	Specialty
Tawni Straw		biocillin	
Sally			
Fiona		biocillin	
Jess			
Eileen		biochillin	
Norielle			
Janeene Yeh		acezepril	
Rania Ibrahim			
Keqing (Cindy) Wang			
Ethan Espina			
Ariana Campos			
Martha Navarro			
James			
Nicolai			