



2021-2022 PHARMACY RESIDENTS



ChooseVA
Choose Hines



Josiah Baker

- ❖ **Hometown:** Knoxville, TN
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) attended:** The University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** University of Illinois at Chicago
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** Long story short, the PEOPLE! The day I interviewed at Hines, I knew it was the right fit for me. I profoundly resonated with Dr. Burge's residency philosophy of "being uncomfortably busy, but not overwhelmed." After hearing that, I knew the residency program at Hines would push me to grow personally and as a clinician, but also provide the support that is necessary to facilitate that process. When I began applying to residency programs, several mentors and former preceptors of mine recommended that I strongly consider completing a residency at the VA given my career aspirations of becoming a pharmacy leader and Ambulatory Care Clinical Specialist. I do not have any prior exposure to the VA system, but every single person I have spoken to about their VA experiences has absolutely loved it. I was drawn to the scope of practice that pharmacists have at the VA, and I knew that I wanted to play a very active role impacting patient care and advocacy. I was looking for a program that served an underserved population and I was also looking for a program with strong leadership values that prioritized mentorship. I couldn't be more excited to be joining the team and I am looking forward to a challenging, yet awesome year!
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** Primary Care/Internal Medicine, Pharmacy Practice Advancement, Pharmacy Leadership
- ❖ **PGY-I Research Project:** Evaluating the Impact of Clinical Pharmacist Intervention on Osteoporosis Screening and Treatment Initiation in Veterans on Chronic Glucocorticoid Therapy
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with free time in the Chicagoland area?**
Family (I have a brand-new baby boy!), cooking/grilling, music, and sports (playing, watching, talking).
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Erin Feeley

- ❖ **Hometown:** Chicago, IL
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) attended:** University of Kentucky
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** University of Kentucky
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** After working at a VA hospital during an APPE rotation, I discovered my passion for working with the veteran population. Upon meeting with the pharmacy directors, preceptors and residents at Hines, I truly admired everyone's dedication to their pharmacy roles and to supporting our veterans. Everyone was so friendly and welcoming at Hines that I knew it was the place for me! I am grateful for the opportunity to learn alongside such knowledgeable pharmacists this year as I explore my interest areas and grow as a leader.
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** My current interests include ambulatory care, emergency medicine, and transitions of care.
- ❖ **PGY-I Research Project:** Evaluating the Impact of Pharmacists' Interventions on Veterans' Diabetes Distress Scores in Type 2 Diabetes Management
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with free time in the Chicagoland area?**
In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I also like cooking, doing yoga and cheering on the Chicago Cubs.
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Leslie Johnson

- ❖ **Hometown:** Flossmoor, IL
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) attended:** University of Michigan
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** Chicago State University
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** The ambulatory care CBOC locations, as well as the exposure to the inpatient setting.
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** Ambulatory Care, Anticoagulation, Infectious Diseases
- ❖ **PGY-I Research Project:** Evaluation of SGLT-2 Inhibitor impact on renal function in patients with diabetes mellitus and chronic kidney disease
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with free time in the Chicagoland area?**
Go to the gym, buy gym shoes, go to amusement parks and outdoor activities like TopGolf, play tennis and travel.
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Tom Schultz

- ❖ **Hometown:** Naperville, IL
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) attended:** Miami University, Benedictine University
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** Roosevelt University
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** The friendly environment at Hines is like no other. Ever since my first visit here as a patient almost 5 years ago I was consistently met with “Hello’s” and “Good Morning’s” by everyone walking down the hall. As a veteran myself I knew from the start that I wanted to serve those who served and the best place to accomplish that was at Hines.
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** Infectious Diseases and Solid Organ Transplant
- ❖ **PGY-I Research Project:** Comparing vaccination acceptance rates of non-COVID-19 vaccines pre and post introduction of a COVID-19 vaccine.
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with freetime in the Chicagoland area?:** I really enjoy completing DIY projects around the house. I will always try to fix or build something myself before I call in the expert. I also enjoy playing in my weekly ice hockey league and recently picked up pickleball. Most importantly, I spend as much quality time as possible with my wife, stepdaughter and our Rhodesian ridgeback Ruby.
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Ashlee Murphy

- ❖ **Hometown:** Lodi, CA
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) Attended:** Arizona State University
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** Midwestern University
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** The culture, the healthcare professionals here are truly interested in serving others.
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** Infectious Diseases, Emergency Medicine
- ❖ **PGY-2 Research Project:** Dental antibiotic prescribing within the Veterans Affairs (VA) health system from 2019 to 2020
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with free time in the Chicagoland area?** I have several hobbies. I danced for 8 years prior to pharmacy school, and I taught argentine tango at Arizona State University. I'm an avid traveler/foodie, book lover, and I love to try new things.
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PGY-2 INFECTIOUS DISEASES
PHARMACY RESIDENT



Anna Kamuda

- ❖ **Hometown:** Brooklyn, NY
- ❖ **Pre-pharmacy school(s) Attended:** St. John's University
- ❖ **College of Pharmacy:** St. John's University
- ❖ **What interested you about Hines:** I was originally referred to this program after interviewing with another VA for a Health-System Pharmacy Administration and Leadership pharmacy residency position. After speaking to Liz and Atit about the new program, I knew that this was the right fit for me. I love the passion and enthusiasm for pharmacy and innovation that everyone here has!
- ❖ **What Pharmacy interests do you have:** I get really excited about med safety and informatics- I hope to become a Pyxis master by the end of this year!
- ❖ **PGY-2 Research Project(s):** Impact of clinical pharmacist interventions in a Veterans Affairs hospital in inpatient and outpatient pharmacy settings. Analysis of time to antibiotic first dose in sepsis in a veteran population
- ❖ **What interests outside of pharmacy do you have/what do you intend to do with free time in the Chicagoland area?** I love going to concerts (already 4 planned in the next 3 months!), standup comedy shows, and SoulCycle classes. I also like to paint, play with my roommate's miniature dachshund, and try new restaurants.
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PGY-2 ADMINISTRATIVE
PHARMACY RESIDENT

