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# Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy Residency Program

The Graduate Pharmacy Education (Residency) Program at TTUHSC School of Pharmacy was established in 1997 and promotes excellence in patient care by providing education, development and advanced training to practitioners, educators and scholars. Residents support the School of Pharmacy mission by expanding faculty practice and scholarship activities; as assistant instructors, residents are also actively integrated into the education of Pharm.D. students, serving as clerkship preceptors, small-group facilitators and guest lecturers. The Residency Program offers diverse training opportunities through 15 unique pharmacy practice and specialty resident programs located in Abilene, Amarillo, Dallas-Fort Worth and Lubbock. Presently, 33 residents are enrolled in this program. Since its formation, more than 320 residents have successfully completed residency training. Residents participate in a variety of learning opportunities as part of their program, such as a Iongitudinal Clinician-Educator Teaching Certificate Program where faculty members present monthly topics to residents related to teaching and where residents design their own course with syllabus and create their own professional teaching portfolio with a developed teaching philosophy. With the promotion of Dr. Steven Pass to regional dean of the Dallas campus of TTUHSC. Dr. Winter J. Smith has taken over the role of vice chair for Residency Programs. Dr. Smith comes to TTUHSC from the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, where she served as Director of Residency Programs. On behalf of the residents, we would like to welcome Dr. Smith and we look forward to working with you.

## **Letter from the Editors**

With the residency year in full swing, we are proud to reflect on the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition, show off some of the accomplishments of current residents, recognize an all-star mentor, and update upcoming event dates.

After a long six months filled with professional development, knowledge expansion, and gaining clinical experience, residents were able to represent Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Pharmacy and the Dallas VA residency programs at the 2017 ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting and Exhibition. Highlights included the opportunity to listen to former first lady Mrs. Michelle Obama discuss gender inequality, and the various ideas to address income inequality, limited female executives, and mutual respect in the workplace. Mrs. Obama also took seized the opportunity to share in her experiences in the White House, highlights of her Let's Move! Campaign, and life as a working professional and mother. Residents were also able to attend various continuing education sessions in order to further enhance their pharmacy knowledge and experience. Additionally, several residents were able to present posters and provide information to prospective pharmacy residents at the Residency Showcase. Certainly one of the highlights of the conference was when Resident Faculty Advisor Dr. Winter Smith took the residents to a local ice cream parlor to share in some camaraderie, laughter, and some delicious ice cream in waffle cones.

Throughout the semester residents have worked with students to help them plan to achieve their professional goals. Among these, residents have participated in events such as "Pill Talk" and "Mock Residency Interviews." Residents have provided mentorship for students as they prepare for their fourth year Grand Rounds presentations, and residents gain vital proctoring experience by taking third and fourth year students on clinical rotations. Several PGY1 residents have begun to officially precept pharmacy students now that six months of residency have passed, which has opened even more doors for mentorship opportunity.

A truly remarkable moment in resident training is the moment you realize the level of mentorship and guidance some pharmacists are willing to provide. I believe many of the current resident class would agree the contributions and effort these mentors put into shaping and sculpting us into future leaders of the profession is a truly rewarding experience. In this issue of "*The Tech Times*" we would like to start a tradition of highlighting mentors who have had an impact on us while undergoing resident training.

Thank you to all of the residents and faculty members who have contributed to this issue, and we hope everyone has a challenging and rewarding second half of their residency experience.

Sincerely,

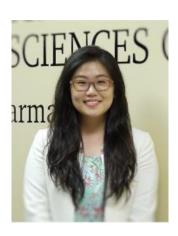
The Newsletter Committee

# **Residency Committees**

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Abilene: Adaku Onwubuya



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Amarillo-Lubbock: Benjamin Dagraedt





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## **Newsletter Committee**



Lubbock: Justin Pedigo



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## **Faculty Spotlight**

On behalf of the Amarillo Pharmacotherapy residents, I would like to nominate Kenna Payne, Pharm.D., BCPS of the Adult Medicine Division for the spotlight on this edition of the residency newsletter. She obtained her Pharm.D. from TTUHSC School of Pharmacy and completed her two year Pharmacotherapy residency in TTUHSC School of Pharmacy - Dallas campus. Her practice site is at Baptist St. Anthony's Health System in inpatient family medicine, and she is involved in the education of numerous pharmacy and medical residents and students each year. My experiences on her rotations have strongly contributed to my career interest in inpatient adult medicine, and she has been instrumental in our development as clinicians and preceptors. She is supportive of the endeavors of both students and residents, and her personality can be described as charismatic and encouraging. Here are some of my colleagues' comments on her unmatched degrees of awesomeness:

-Stanley Luc, Pharm.D., BCPS

"Dr. Payne's excitement is infectious when it comes to the pharmacy profession and academia. She can simultaneously care for patients and teach all different levels of learners from first-year students to third-year medical residents flawlessly. She is well-respected at her practice site and at the college which keeps her busy, but she stays humble and available for anyone who may need her."

"I felt my family medicine core rotation with Dr. Payne was adapted to benefit me personally and allow for the best use of my time. The extensive knowledge base and establish rapport of the preceptor at the practice site provided an excellent example of what to strive for in future pharmacy practice experiences. While her most immediate involvement with residents comes as they rotate through her practice site, her support and advice is made available at all times. It is apparent that she is personally invested in the success of pharmacotherapy residents on the Amarillo campus."

"I think Kenna deserves to be nominated because she truly cares about her residents and students and wants to see them succeed. Even though she has such a busy schedule, she takes advantage of the time she has to educate and develop their knowledge and skills in the clinical setting. She's brilliant, has a wonderful personality, and is just great to work with."

# **Residency Mock Interviews**







# **Remembering ASHP Midyear 2017**

# Congrats to Poster Presenters: Brittany Parker, Jacquelyn Glockner, Julie John, Koby Vasek, Amrita Das





## 2018 Professional Meetings, Conferences, & Events

### **Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists**

2018 ALCALDE Southwest Leadership Conference April 5-6, 2018 The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center The Woodlands, Texas

#### **Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists**

Annual Seminar April 6-8, 2018 The Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel & Convention Center The Woodlands, Texas

#### **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Research Days**

17<sup>th</sup> Annual Event June 13-14, 2018 Amarillo Civic Center Amarillo, Texas

#### **Medication Cleanout**

Amarillo - March 24th Lubbock - April 28th Abilene - April 14th