**PROGRAM PURPOSE**
The purpose of this residency program is to build on Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm.D.) education and outcomes to contribute to the development of clinical pharmacists responsible for medication-related care of patients with a wide range of conditions in the acute care setting of a large community hospital. Graduates of this program will be eligible for board certification and for postgraduate year two (PGY2) pharmacy residency training in area of choice.

**EDUCATIONAL COMPETENCY AREAS FOR THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM**
Outcomes required by the PGY1 standard:
R1. Patient Care
R2. Advancing Practice and Improving Patient Care
R3. Leadership and Management
R4. Teaching, Education, and Dissemination of Knowledge
E5. Management of Medical Emergencies

**WellStar Health System (WHS),** the largest health system in Georgia, consists of eleven inpatient hospitals: WellStar Atlanta Medical Center, WellStar Atlanta Medical Center South, WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center (anchored by **WellStar Kennestone Hospital**), WellStar West Georgia Medical Center, and WellStar Cobb, Douglas, North Fulton, Paulding, Spalding Regional, Sylvan Grove and Windy Hill hospitals. As a not-for-profit, WellStar continues to reinvest in the health of the communities it serves with new technologies and treatments. The WHS Mission is to create and deliver high quality hospital, physician, and other healthcare related services that improve the health and well-being of the individuals and communities we serve. Our Vision is **To Deliver World Class Healthcare.** For more information, visit wellstar.org.

**WellStar Kennestone Hospital** is located in Marietta, Georgia, just north of downtown Atlanta. WellStar Kennestone is a 633-bed tertiary hospital with an accredited chest pain center, Joint Commission certified primary stroke center, and is a center for advanced surgery including the Cyberknife® and daVinci® Surgical System. The Level II Trauma Center Emergency Department is one the busiest in the state. There are approximately 76 critical care beds including med/surg, trauma, neurosurgery, coronary care and cardiovascular surgery.

The Department of Pharmacy at WellStar Kennestone has approximately 110 employees. We utilize automated drug delivery units throughout the hospital and have a central pharmacy area in addition to pharmacy satellites located in the Operating Room (OR) and Outpatient Infusion Center (OPIC). WellStar Kennestone Pharmacy has a patient-centered integrated model of pharmacy practice. Pharmacists have workstations on patient care units and participate in physician-led inter- and multidisciplinary rounds. We have a clinical dietitian and over 14 clinical pharmacists including ambulatory care pharmacists, emergency department pharmacists, an infectious diseases pharmacist, pain pharmacists and a pediatric pharmacist.
PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program

Program Goals
The goal of this residency program is to provide educational and training experiences for pharmacists in contemporary pharmacy practice in an organized healthcare system. The WellStar Kennestone Hospital PGY1 residency program will utilize the collective assets of the WellStar Health System (WHS) to accomplish this goal. The major job responsibilities of this position are clinical intervention, continuing education, drug distribution, leadership, patient education, and research. This program is designed to assure competency with the outcomes, goals and objectives outlined in the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) Accreditation Standards. In addition to the expectations outlined in the accreditation standards we expect residents to be able to:

- Function effectively as a member of the healthcare team
- Follow the “best practice” model in the delivery of patient care
- Identify, prevent, and resolve medication-related problems for patients
- Participate in drug use review, drug policy development, and quality improvement initiatives
- Educate healthcare providers, patients, and students through written and verbal means
- Master skills for future success in either a specialty residency or clinical practice

Requirements
Residency applicants must be enrolled in the final year of an accredited college of pharmacy AND/OR licensed by or eligible for licensure with the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy. If not licensed at the start of residency, the candidate must be licensed by August 31st of the residency year. Please see http://gbp.georgia.gov/ for licensure requirements. A completed application, curriculum vitae (CV), pharmacy school transcripts, references, and a formal interview are required (see application instructions on website for details).

Resident Responsibilities
- Provision of pharmaceutical care to diverse patient populations
- Code participation (BLS and ACLS certification during residency)
- Pharmacy and Therapeutic (P&T) Committee involvement
- Medication Use Evaluation (MUE)
- Medication safety program involvement
- Patient/Staff education
- Journal Club (participate in the Atlanta Area Resident Journal Club)
- Pharmacy continuing education (CE) program (1.0 CEU each)
- Experiential teaching of pharmacy students from University of Georgia, Mercer University, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM), and/or South University
- Research Project (presented at the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting (MCM) and Southeastern Residency Conference(SERC))
- Clinical/Staff pharmacist responsibilities on weekends
- Flexible rotation schedule. Elective opportunities are tailored to the resident’s interests and career goals
- National, state, and/or local pharmacy meetings
TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

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*Anticoagulation/Pharmacokinetics

RESIDENCY PROGRAM BENEFITS
- The residency program commences in late June and provides a competitive stipend estimated at $47,840
- Tax-deferred investment program for retirement (403b)
- Travel reimbursement ($800) plus registration costs to ASHP MCM and SERC
- Vacation/Paid Time Off (PTO) – Accrual of up to 23 days (includes holiday, vacation, sick days, and other time off needed) per year
- Extended Illness Bank (EIB) – Accrual of up to 5 days per year
- ACLS/BLS Certification (PALS certification - optional)
- Discounted meals
- Health, Dental and Vision Insurance
- On-site library services with online access to most medical journals
- Complimentary on-site parking
- State of the art of fitness facilities including Olympic size swimming pool (reduced rates for employees)