



**St. Elizabeth's  
Hospital**

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AN AFFILIATE OF HOSPITAL SISTERS HEALTH SYSTEM

# PGY-1 Practice Residency



The purpose of St. Elizabeth's Residency Program is to prepare the PGY1 resident as an integral member of the health care team capable of delivering pharmaceutical care to patients in several specialized areas.

## The Residency

Central to the St. Elizabeth's non-traditional program is the flexibility the resident has in selecting from more than ten electives, each designed to meet their interests as they progress through the residency.

Active participation in hospital committees, completion of a residency project, presentation at a regional conference and publication of the research are fundamental components designed to enhance project management skills while improving patient care.

**Required learning experiences include:**

- Orientation/Operational Pharmacy Practice
- Internal Medicine I and II
- Drug Information
- Ambulatory care
- Medication Safety
- Administration

Many electives are offered throughout the St. Louis metro area with the Clinical Faculty of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) School of Pharmacy. However, each resident is encouraged to identify opportunities which meet the ASHP requirements and provide a sound educational experience.

**Elective learning experiences** include cardiology, infectious disease, psychiatry, pain and palliative care, informatics, teaching, pediatrics, oncology, and emergency medicine. Others are available based on the residents' individual interests.

Throughout the rotation the residents are expected to mentor pharmacy students and provide instruction to the staff and medical residents. To enhance the resident's didactic opportunities a Teaching Elective and Certificate are offered through the SIUE School of Pharmacy.



The ASHP accredited 12-month PGY-1 residency offers a breadth of rotation experiences unparalleled in the region. Currently there are two PGY-1 residency positions available.

Though affiliation with Southern Illinois University Edwardsville School of Pharmacy, more than fifteen different clinical rotations are available.

The St. Elizabeth's Hospital PGY-1 Practice Residency is affiliated with the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville (SIUE) School of Pharmacy. Our residents receive faculty appointments within the Department of Pharmacy Practice and have a wide-range of interest-dependent teaching opportunities.



## Teaching Certificate

In collaboration with the SIUE School of Pharmacy, the St. Elizabeth pharmacy resident will have the opportunity to earn a teaching certificate through a hybrid, web-based learning platform. Self-directed learning modules guide the resident through important concepts in preparation for delivery of formal didactic lectures, small-group facilitation, precepting of students, and assessment.

## The Hospital

Established in 1875, St. Elizabeth's Hospital is an affiliate of the Hospital Sisters Health System. St. Elizabeth's Hospital serves the Southern Illinois-St. Louis metropolitan area with over 40 medical specialties and a broad range of services, from a SCPC accredited Chest Pain Center to a Level II+ Special Care nursery. As a community teaching hospital, St. Elizabeth's is home to the St. Louis University School of Medicine Family Medicine Residency Program.

## The Pharmacy

Through state-of-the-art technologies including electronic medical records and intervention documentation the resident is able to provide comprehensive pharmaceutical care and enhance outcomes. Bedside bar-coding at the point-of-care, automated dispensing technologies and implementation of computerized prescriber order entry are examples of pharmacy activities in advancing patient care and safety.

## Belleville, Illinois

Belleville, French for "beautiful city", is a perfect blend of small town living and proximity to a major metropolitan area. Belleville was one of 10 cities nationwide to receive the All-American City Award for sustained community improvements in 2011, and a frequent recipient of the Governor's Hometown Award.

## St. Louis, Missouri

Greater St. Louis consistently ranks as one of the top places to live in the U.S. As a suburb of St. Louis, Belleville is located only minutes from world-class cultural institutions, a wide range of arts and entertainment, and abundance of outdoor recreation.

# Preceptors



**Adam Thacker, RPh, MBA**

Adam Thacker is the Director of Pharmacy Services and Performance Improvement at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and his Masters in Business Administration from Regis University. He serves as the preceptor for the residency management learning experience.



**Julia Schimmelpfennig, PharmD, MS, BCPS, CDE**

Julia Schimmelpfennig is the Clinical Manager and Residency Program Director at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Dr. Schimmelpfennig received her B.S. and doctorate in pharmacy from the St. Louis College of Pharmacy and a Masters of Science in Clinical Pharmacology from the University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy. Subsequently she completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at the University of Louisville. She serves as the preceptor for the internal medicine residency rotations.



**Chris Herndon, PharmD, BCPS, CPE, FASHP**

Chris Herndon is the Residency Program Coordinator and preceptor for the pain and palliative care and teaching residency learning experiences. His practice is with the St. Louis University Family Medicine Residency Program where he leads the interdisciplinary chronic pain management service. He is a full-time faculty member with the SIUE School of Pharmacy. Dr. Herndon offers a longitudinal experience in either general ambulatory care or chronic pain care.



**Michael Randazzo, PharmD**

Michael Randazzo is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist for St Elizabeth's Hospital. Dr. Randazzo is a graduate of St. Louis College of Pharmacy where he earned his B.S. and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees. Afterwards he completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. He is the Pharmacy Practice preceptor for the Medication Safety and Emergency Medicine residency experiences.



**Jessica Kerr, PharmD, CDE**

Jessica Kerr, Associate Professor, joined the SIUE School of Pharmacy from the University of South Carolina College of Pharmacy. Dr. Kerr is a graduate of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy, where she earned both her B.S. and doctorate in pharmacy. She trained at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, Texas, where she specialized in primary care. Her current practice site is in coordination with the Veterans Affairs Medical Center Belleville outpatient clinic. She precepts the ambulatory care residency learning experience.

# Preceptors



**Erin Timpe, PharmD, BCPS**

Erin Timpe is Director of the SIUE Drug Information and Wellness Center and is an Associate Professor in the Pharmacy Practice Department. She received her B.S. and Pharm.D. degrees from St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Dr. Timpe completed a drug information specialty residency at The University of Tennessee (UT) in Memphis. Dr. Timpe co-precepts the drug information residency learning experience.



**Kelly Gable, PharmD, BCPP**

Kelly Gable is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice, joined the SIUE School of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland, School of Pharmacy. Dr. Gable is a graduate of the University of Mississippi, School of Pharmacy, and subsequently completed a specialty residency in Psychiatric Pharmacy Practice at the University of Southern California. Her clinical appointment is with Community Alternatives in St. Louis Missouri where precepts the psychiatry residency learning experience.



**Jing Fan, PharmD, BCPS**

Jing Fan is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at SIUE. Dr. Fan received her Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Illinois at Chicago and subsequently completed a pharmacy practice residency at the University of Kentucky. In addition to her faculty appointment at SIUE, Dr. Fan also provides clinical services in cardiology at Mercy Medical Center. Dr. Fan precepts the cardiology residency learning experience.



**Keith Hecht, PharmD, BCOP**

Keith Hecht is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice. Dr. Hecht received his B.S. and Doctorate of Pharmacy from St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Subsequently, he completed a pharmacy practice residency and an oncology specialty residency at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. His clinical site is at Mercy Medical Center where he precepts the oncology residency learning experience.



**Josh Schmees, PharmD**

Josh Schmees is the Pharmacy Manager of Operations and Technology at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, Illinois. Dr. Schmees received his doctorate in pharmacy from the Ohio Northern University- Raabe College of Pharmacy. Previous employments were at Mercy Hospital in Fairfield, Ohio and Ohio Northern University Drug Information Center. He serves as the Orientation and Informatics Pharmacy Practice residency preceptor.

## Preceptors



**McKenzie Ferguson, PharmD, BCPS**

McKenzie Ferguson is Assistant Professor, Pharmacy Practice and practices in the Drug Information and Wellness Center. Dr. Ferguson received her B.A. from Carthage College and her doctor of pharmacy degree from St. Louis College of Pharmacy. She completed her pharmacy practice residency at SSM St. Mary's Health Center. Dr. Ferguson co-precepts the drug information residency learning experience.



**Claudia Colombo, PharmD, BCPS**

Claudia Colombo is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Following graduation with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from St. Louis College of Pharmacy, she completed a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency at St. Vincent Hospitals in Indianapolis, Indiana and a PGY-2 Specialty Residency in Internal Medicine with the University of Texas-Austin. Dr. Colombo co-precepts the internal medical residency learning experiences.

## Benefits

Benefits follow those outlined in the St. Elizabeth's Hospital Manual which may be accessed on the People Services internet site. These include but are not limited to:

- Competitive stipend
- Health, dental, and life insurance
- Twelve days paid time off
- Ten days of professional leave
- Travel, lodging and registration for three professional meetings

## Requirements

- Graduation from an accredited College of Pharmacy
- Doctor of Pharmacy or equivalent experience
- Eligibility for licensure in Illinois
- General employment requirements stipulated by St. Elizabeth's Hospital





## PHARMACY PRACTICE (PGY-1) APPLICATION FORM

**ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>. REFER TO REVERSE SIDE FOR REQUIREMENTS.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE PRINT – LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL

PLEASE INDICATE WHICH ADDRESS YOU WOULD LIKE CORRESPONDENCE TO BE SENT DURING THE APPLICATION PROCESS ().

**CURRENT ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET, APT #

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

**PERMANENT ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
(IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE) STREET, APT #

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE

PRIMARY PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ ALTERNATE PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ATTENDED: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADUATION DATE (ANTICIPATED): \_\_\_\_\_

### RECOMMENDATIONS

THREE LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE COMPLETED BY INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN ATTEST TO YOUR PRACTICE ABILITIES AND APTITUDES. AT LEAST TWO OF THEM SHOULD BE FROM A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL. INCLUSION OF THE ASHP RESIDENCY APPLICATION RECOMMENDATION REQUEST FORM MUST ACCOMPANY EACH LETTER. PLEASE LIST THE NAMES, TITLES, AND ADDRESSES FROM WHOM WE SHOULD EXPECT TO RECEIVE LETTERS.

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU PREVENTED FROM BECOMING LAWFULLY EMPLOYED IN THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF VISA OR IMMIGRATION STATUS? \_\_\_\_\_

IF YOU ARE APPOINTED TO THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM, YOU WILL NEED TO SHOW DOCUMENTATION PROVIDING IDENTITY INFORMATION AND EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ENTIRE PERIOD OF THE RESIDENCY.

**I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN THIS APPLICATION IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. I GRANT ST. ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL PERMISSION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, IF NECESSARY, FROM PREVIOUS SCHOOLS AND EMPLOYERS CONCERNING MY ACADEMIC RECORDS AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITY.**

**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Requirement Checklist:**

- ❑ Application form, letter of intent and CV
- ❑ Official College Transcripts
- ❑ Three letters of recommendation each accompanied with the ASHP Residency Application Recommendation Request Form

Application, letter of intent, CV, college transcripts, three letters of reference each with an ASHP Residency Application Recommendation Request Form must be received by **January 15<sup>th</sup>**.

The letter of intent, stating career goals, major areas of interest, and reasons for applying to this program must be attached to your application form.

**SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:**

Julia Schimmelpfennig, PharmD, MS, BCPS, CDE  
PGY-1 Residency Director  
Department of Pharmacy  
St. Elizabeth's Hospital  
211 South Third Street  
Belleville, Illinois 62220

[jschimmelpfen@sebh.org](mailto:jschimmelpfen@sebh.org)

**INQUIRIES CONTACT:**

Julia Schimmelpfennig at 618-234-2120, ext. 2426 or  
[jschimmelpfen@sebh.org](mailto:jschimmelpfen@sebh.org)



**Relative to persons of similar background, training and professional interests, how would you rate this applicant for each of the following characteristics?**

Please place an X under the rating column which best describes the applicant.

CHARACTERISTICS EVALUATED	UPPER 10%	UPPER 25%	UPPER 50%	LOWER 50%	NO BASIS FOR JUDGMENT
Academic ability					
Quality of work					
Written communication skills					
Oral communication skills					
Leadership skills					
Industriousness and perseverance					
Initiative and motivation					
Assertiveness					
Cooperativeness					
Ability to organize and manage time					
Ability to work with supervisors					
Ability to work with peers					
Ability to work with patients					
Dependability					
Resourcefulness and originality					
Willingness to accept constructive criticism					
Personal appearance and professional demeanor					
Commitment to professional practice					
Emotional stability and maturity					
Enthusiasm					
Integrity					

**Additional Comments:**

Recommendation concerning admission (check one):

I highly recommend this applicant

I recommend this applicant, but with some reservation

I recommend this applicant.

I am not able to recommend this applicant

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Signature of Recommender

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Name-typed or printed

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Title and affiliation

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Street address or P.O. Box, City State Zip Code

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Telephone Number

Application materials and instructions may be found at <http://www.steliz.org/services>.

Send Curriculum vitae, letter of intent, three letters of professional recommendation with ASHP Residency Applicant Recommendation Request Form, and official college transcripts to:

**Julia Schimmelpfennig, PharmD, MS, BCPS, CDE**  
**Residency Program Director**  
**Department of Pharmacy**  
**St. Elizabeth's Hospital**  
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