



University of Pittsburgh
School of Pharmacy

Residents' Roar

FALL 2014

Residency Research Series: 10 Years of Success



Residency Class of 2014-15

The Residency Research Series, formalized in the fall of 2003, was designed to ensure our residents learn the fundamentals of research. Through participation in the series, residents gain the skills needed to design, conduct, and publish their research projects.

Learning is accomplished through weekly didactic lectures from a variety of research experts during the months of July through September. The content of these sessions has been adapted through the years to meet the needs of the residents and the ever-changing research environment. The core sessions include information on how to write hypotheses and specific aims, the difference between research and quality improvement, data privacy/security, data analysis, statistics, authorship, and abstract and manuscript preparation. In 2014, a “flipped” classroom model was implement-

ed; rather than attending “live” lectures, residents now watch lecture videos prior to attending 12 weekly interactive discussion sessions. By incorporating technology into the sessions, residents at various UPMC facilities, including those as far as Erie, Pa, can be integrated and engaged in the learning process.

Residents are also assigned to small working groups, typically by either area of interest or residency location. The working groups are led by facilitators who help the residents and their project mentors select research projects that can be designed and completed within one year, and guide them through each step from hypothesis generation to manuscript preparation.

A goal of the Residency Research Series is to have residents present their resident research projects locally and nationally, as well as prepare a publication-worthy manuscript by the end of their residency year. This past June, the residents presented their projects at the first annual Resident Research Day held at the School of Pharmacy in June.

As of October 2014, based on self-report and literature searches, 49 of 236 (21%) residents who have graduated from residency programs affiliated with the University of Pittsburgh during the past 10 years (class of '04 through class of '13) have published their research projects. Through the years, the numbers and types of residency programs participating in the Residency Research Series have changed; however, the clinical-based residents at UPMC Presbyterian have consistently participated. Of the 38 PGY1 and 36 PGY2 residents completing a clinical-based program at UPMC Presbyterian, 15 (39%) and 15 (42%) have published their research, respectively. These publication rates exceed the publication rates of 4-15% reported in the literature.

Since 2008, Sandy Kane-Gill, PharmD, MS, FCCM, FCCP has directed the Residency Research Series.

She notes that in the beginning of the Residency Research Series, residents are usually tentative, but as the year progresses, they become more and more confident in their knowledge and skills in research. She is thrilled when she goes to national meetings and sees current and previous residents apply research skills they learned during the series as they present projects. Kane-Gill said, “I see our previous residents pass their research knowledge to their trainees as they mentor trainees through project development. It is really an amazing transition.” The Residency Research Series continues to thrive by creating our next generation of clinical researchers. The entire Pitt family delights in the success of the Resident Research Series and hypothesize that there will be many more successes in the future!



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equal opportunity institution.

Ambulatory Care Pharmacy

Marie Davies

Assistant Professor - Ambulatory Care > Western University of Health Sciences (Pomona, Calif.)

Cardiology Pharmacy

Justin Harris

Anticoagulation Clinical Pharmacist > Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania

Nicholas Schwier

Assistant Professor - Cardiology > University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy

Community Pharmacy

Elizabeth McCartney

Assistant Professor - Community Pharmacy > Philadelphia College of Pharmacy

Kristine Ossman

Community Pharmacist > Rite Aid (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Critical Care Pharmacy

Ashleigh Hogue

Unit Based Clinical Pharmacist - ICU Float > UPMC Presbyterian

Adrian Wong

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist - Critical Care > Mountain View Hospital (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Family Medicine

Gregory Castelli

Clinical Assistant Professor in the PMCH > West Virginia University School of Pharmacy

Sarah (Krahe) Dombrowski

Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice > LECOM School of Pharmacy (Erie, Pa.)

Amanda Wojtusik

Clinical Pharmacist > Outpatient Primary Care > Providence Health and Services (Portland, Ore.)

Geriatric Pharmacy

Madhavi Gavini

Clinical Pharmacist > SUNY Downstate Medical Center (Brooklyn, N.Y.)

Amy Haver

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist with Care Management > UPMC Health Plan

Health-System Pharmacy Administration Resident

John Cadwalader

PGY2 Pharmacy Health-Systems Administration Resident > UPMC Presbyterian

Amanda Johnson

PGY2 Critical Care Resident > UPMC Presbyterian

Infectious Diseases

Aaron Pickering

Antimicrobial Stewardship Clinical Pharmacist > University of Maryland - Baltimore Washington Medical Center

Managed Care Pharmacy

Glenna Shutzberg

Clinical Pharmacist > United Healthcare (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Meghan Tauber

Clinical Advisor > CVS Caremark (Scottsdale, Ariz.)

Oncology Pharmacy

Terri Lynn Shigle

Stem Cell Transplant Clinical Pharmacist > The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

Pharmacy

Jennifer Ballman

Unit-based Pharmacist > The Cleveland Clinic

Derek Bremmer

PGY2 Infectious Diseases Resident > The Ohio State University

Teresa Breslin

PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Resident > UPMC St. Margaret

Deanna Buehrle

PGY2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Resident > UPMC Presbyterian

Jessica Butala

Clinical Pharmacist > West Penn Hospital (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Meghan Doyle

Staff Pharmacist > Bryan Health (Lincoln, Neb.)

Holly Filip

Clinical Staff Pharmacist > UPMC Shadyside

Abigail (Gregg) Steele

Pharmacist > West Penn Hospital (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Genevieve Hale

PGY2 Cardiology Pharmacy Resident > VA Ann Arbor Health Systems (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

Chelsea Harrison

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Resident > The Cleveland Clinic

Michele Hebda

Pharmacy Fellow > Duquesne University Mylan School of Pharmacy

Ashley Hedges

Patient Safety Fellow > VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System

Ashley Higbea

PGY2 Family Medicine Pharmacy Resident > UPMC St. Margaret

Lucas Hill

PGY2 Ambulatory Care Resident > UPMC St. Margaret

Priscilla Ko

PGY2 Public Health Resident > Rutgers/Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation

Nadia Kudla

Clinical Staff Pharmacist > Forbes Regional Hospital (Monroeville, Pa.)

Alicia Lichvar

PGY2 Transplant Resident > UPMC Presbyterian

Adam MacLasco

PGY2 Emergency Medicine Resident > University of Illinois at Chicago

Erin Mathis

PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Resident > William S. Middleton VA Memorial Hospital (Madison, Wis.)

Emanuel Nites

PGY2 Critical Care Resident > Greenville Hospital System (Greenville, S.C.)

Chelsey Nicole Rashid

Pharmacist > Olean General Hospital (Olean, N.Y.)

Mary Riedy

PGY2 Pediatric Pharmacy Resident > Boston Children's Hospital (Boston, Mass.)

Sarah Rindfuss

PGY2 Family Medicine Pharmacy Resident > UPMC St. Margaret

Ryan Rivosecchi

PGY2 Critical Care Pharmacy Resident > UPMC Presbyterian

Robert Tunney

PGY2 Cardiology Pharmacy Resident > Vanderbilt University Medical Center (Nashville, Tenn.)

Arin Whitman

PGY2 Oncology Pharmacy Resident > Allegheny General Hospital (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

G. Lucy Wilkening

PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Resident > Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic of UPMC

Transplant Pharmacy

Lauren Sacha

Clinical Pharmacist > Abdominal Transplant > St. Barnabas Medical Center (Livingston, N.J.)

Underserved Care/ Global Health Pharmacy

Marisa Sochacki

Humanitarian Aid Worker > Doctors Without Borders (currently in South Sudan)

Recent Publications by Resident Alumni:

Please see our website for a list of recent publications by current and former residents:

www.pharmacy.pitt.edu/Programs/Residency/newsletter.php

Please contact us if we are missing any of your recent publications.

MEET THE RESIDENTS (2014-2015)



Brandon Antinopoulos, PharmD
PGY1 Community Pharmacy Resident
School of Pharmacy in collaboration with University Pharmacy/Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association

Brandon received his PharmD from Pitt and BS in accounting from Penn State. He has 17 years of experience working in an independent pharmacy. His mission is to advance the role of the pharmacist in Pennsylvania and hopes to develop an innovative, community pharmacy-based patient care practice.



Ayesha Ather, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Ayesha grew up in Lahore, Pakistan. She received her BS in accounting from University of Montana in 2006, and her PharmD from University of Montana Skaggs School of Pharmacy in 2014. Her primary interests are critical care, outcomes-based research, and academia. She hopes to pursue a PGY2 critical care pharmacy residency. In her spare time she likes hiking, canoeing, and spending time with family.



Teresa Breslin, PharmD
PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Teresa earned her PharmD from Wayne State University in 2013. Last year she completed a PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC St. Margaret where she also participated in the Faculty Development Fellowship. This year she will continue as a PGY2 geriatric pharmacy resident with continued involvement in the Fellowship. Outside interests include martial arts, college and professional sports, and plenty of sun, boat, and beach time!



Maxwell Brown, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Max is from Amityville, N.Y. and received his PharmD in 2014 from Northeastern University in Boston, Mass. His current areas of interest include oncology, with a specific interest in hematology and bone marrow transplant. Max plans to pursue a PGY2 residency in oncology. In his spare time, Max enjoys reading, finding new restaurants to try out, and spending time with his friends and family.



Deanna Buehrle, PharmD
PGY2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Deanna is originally from Youngstown, Ohio, and received her PharmD from the Duquesne University Mylan School of Pharmacy in 2012. She completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC Mercy in 2014. Her areas of interest include antibiotic stewardship, pharmacokinetics/pharmacodynamics of antimicrobials, and bacterial mechanisms of resistance. She plans to pursue a clinical position in infectious diseases. Deanna enjoys biking, traveling, music concerts, and exploring eateries.



John Cadwalader, PharmD
PGY2 Medication Safety Management Resident
UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside

John received his PharmD from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. He completed his PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC Mercy and is currently completing a two-year residency in pharmacy administration as well as pursuing his Master's in health policy and administration. His professional interests include health-system strategic management, hospital operations, and health policy. John plans to pursue a lead hospital management position.



Ashley Campbell, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Ashley received her PharmD from the University of North Carolina Eshelman School of Pharmacy in 2014 and BS in chemistry from Elon University in 2010. Next year, she'll continue at UPMC St. Margaret as a PGY2 in geriatric pharmacy. Her areas of interest include geriatrics, psychiatry, and academia. She ultimately hopes to couple her passions for teaching and clinical pharmacy in a faculty position.



Emily Chan, PharmD
PGY2 Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Emily received her PharmD from the University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2013. She completed her PGY1 ambulatory-care focused pharmacy residency at Mercy Health Muskegon along the Michigan lakeshore. Her interests include chronic disease state management, working with indigent populations, and pursuing a clinical faculty position. She enjoys reading, writing, traveling, hiking, and especially learning about new cultures.



Rebecca Cope, PharmD
PGY2 Underserved Care/Global Health Pharmacy Resident
University of Pittsburgh

Rebecca received her PharmD from Albany College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences in 2013. She completed a pharmacy practice residency at The Brooklyn Hospital Center in 2014. Rebecca plans to pursue a clinical faculty position which will allow her to facilitate global health experiences for pharmacy students. Her professional interests include HIV/AIDS, diabetes education, and medication distribution systems in developing countries.



Anne Countway, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of UPMC

Anne is from Boston, Mass., and received her Pharm D from Duquesne University in 2014. She has a strong interest in pediatric pharmacy, specifically in pediatric critical care and emergency medicine. After completing a PGY1 residency at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, Anne plans to continue on to a PGY2 residency in pediatrics.



Justin Delic, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Mercy

Justin is from Johnstown, Pa., and received his PharmD from Duquesne University Mylan School of Pharmacy in May 2014. His areas of interest include critical care and emergency medicine, and he plans to pursue a PGY2 residency in one of these areas. Outside of pharmacy, he enjoys writing music, snowboarding, and playing sports.



R. Christopher Durigan, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Chris received his PharmD from the University of Rhode Island College of Pharmacy in 2014. His interests include chronic disease state management, working within interdisciplinary teams, and medical education. He will be completing a PGY2 ambulatory care residency at UPMC St. Margaret, and hopes to pursue a clinical faculty position. He also enjoys going to concerts, traveling, and rooting for New England sports teams.

MEET THE RESIDENTS (2014-2015)



Eric Emerson, PharmD
PGY1 Managed Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Health Plan

Eric is from West Chester, Pa., and received his PharmD from

the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy in April 2014. His areas of interest include formulary development and specialty medication management. He will be perusing a position as a clinical pharmacist within a managed care organization. Outside of pharmacy, he enjoys spending time with family and friends, and watching Philadelphia sports teams.



Alice Gahbauer, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC McKeesport

Alice is from Columbus, Ohio. She received her BA in public health from The Johns Hopkins University

and her PharmD from the University of California, San Francisco. Her interests include geriatrics, antimicrobial stewardship, and ambulatory care. She hopes to eventually balance teaching, research, and clinical roles in an academic position. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys running, biking, and exploring Pittsburgh.



Gale Garmong, PharmD
PGY1 Community
Pharmacy Resident
School of Pharmacy in
collaboration with Rite Aid

Gale is from Armstrong County, Pa., and is a 2014 graduate of LECOM School of Pharmacy in Erie, Pa. He completed his pharmacy internship at Klingensmith's Drug Store of Ford City, Pa. His mission is to partner with patients and their other healthcare providers to optimize medication therapy. His research interests include exploring strategies for improving collaboration between community pharmacists and other healthcare providers.



Emily Graham, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Emily is from Pittsburgh, Pa., and received her PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh in

2014. Her professional interests include oncology and infectious diseases. Emily hopes to pursue a PGY2 residency in one of these areas and eventually practice as a clinical specialist. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys running, baking, and photography.



Stephen Henderson, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Hamot

Stephen is from Titusville, Pa., and received his PharmD from Ohio Northern University in 2014. His

areas of interest include cardiology, infectious disease, and internal medicine. This year he plans to develop his research, writing, and presentation skills while preparing for a PGY2 residency. In his free time he likes to hike, play sports, and barbeque on the grill.



Ashley Higbee, PharmD
PGY2 Ambulatory Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Ashley is from Suffolk, Virginia. She received a BS in chemistry

from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) and her PharmD from VCU School of Pharmacy. Ashley completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC St. Margaret last year. Her professional interests include helping patients manage their chronic disease states while working in interdisciplinary teams. She enjoys playing sports and outdoor activities.



Lucas Hill, PharmD
PGY2 Ambulatory Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Lucas earned his PharmD from the University of Missouri -

Kansas City in 2013. He completed a PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC St. Margaret and is continuing there as a PGY2 ambulatory care resident. Lucas is also honing his clinical precepting skills through participation in an interdisciplinary faculty development fellowship. His professional interests include diabetes management and psychiatric medicine in primary care.



Amanda Johnson, PharmD
PGY2 Critical Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Amanda received her PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh

in 2012, and completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC Presbyterian in 2013. Amanda is currently completing her second year of a two-year residency program focusing on management and critical care, while pursuing her Master's in health administration. Amanda hopes to pursue a career in clinical management, focusing on developing pharmacy services and medication safety.



Christine Jordan, PharmD
PGY1 Community
Pharmacy Resident
School of Pharmacy in
collaboration with Giant Eagle

Christine is from Wexford, Pa.,

and received her PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh in 2014. Her interests include providing medication therapy management services in the community and serving as a preceptor to student pharmacists. Upon completion of residency training, she plans to continue to promote the growth and expansion of patient care services in the community by pursuing a career as a clinical pharmacist.



Matthew Joseph, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Matthew received his BS in biology from the University of Pittsburgh in 2010, followed by his PharmD

from the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy in 2014. His interests include geriatrics, psychiatry, and medication safety. He hopes to attain a clinical position while precepting both students and residents. Matthew enjoys spending time with his family, playing sports, and cheering on the Pitt Panthers.



Hollins Kitts, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Hamot

Holle is from Tazewell, Virginia, and received her BS in chemistry from James Madison University.

She then received her PharmD from Wingate University School of Pharmacy in 2014. Her current interests include cardiology and pediatrics and she plans to pursue a PGY2 upon completion of this program. In her free time, she enjoys watching football (especially the Miami Dolphins), reading, and playing soccer.

MEET THE RESIDENTS (2014-2015)



Alicia Lichvar, PharmD
PGY2 Solid Organ Transplant
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Alicia received her PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh

School of Pharmacy in 2013 and completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC Presbyterian in 2014. Her interests include transplant, outcomes research, and academia. Ultimately, she hopes to obtain a clinical position at a large academic medical center that is associated with a college of pharmacy where she can combine patient care, teaching, and research.



Pamela Lyons, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Mercy

Pam received a degree in the biological sciences from the University of Notre Dame and then

completed her PharmD at the University of Pittsburgh last year. She is interested in critical care. Outside of pharmacy, Pam enjoys quilting, playing trumpet, and visiting national parks.



Rachel Marini, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Mercy

Rachel is originally from the Pittsburgh area and received her PharmD from the Duquesne

University Mylan School of Pharmacy in May 2014. After completing a PGY1 residency, she hopes to pursue a PGY2 residency in cardiology or critical care. Outside of pharmacy, she enjoys baking, running, reading, and watching Steeler and Penguin games.



Kyle McCormick, PharmD
PGY1 Community
Pharmacy Resident
School of Pharmacy in
collaboration with Gatti
Pharmacy

Kyle received his PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy in 2014. His pharmacy intern experiences included working in independent settings at Pitt Student Health and Findley's Pharmacy. He is interested in studying the factors that make patients most likely to benefit from community pharmacy-provided patient care services and creating a business model around the provision of these services.



Cody Moore, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Cody is originally from Brockway, Pa., and received his PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh in

2014. After completing his PGY1 residency, he plans to pursue a PGY2 in solid organ transplantation. Outside of pharmacy, Cody enjoys running, playing tennis, watching Pitt sports, and cheering on the Green Bay Packers.



Miral Patel, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Miral is from Galloway, N.J., and received her PharmD from Albany College of Pharmacy and

Health Sciences -Vermont in 2014 after completing a BS in biochemistry/molecular biology at The Richard Stockton College of N.J. Her interests include ambulatory care, including chronic disease state and anticoagulation management. She plans to pursue a PGY2 residency in ambulatory care. Miral enjoys cooking and reading various novels.



Nicole Payette, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Nicole is from Howell, N.J., and received her PharmD from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy

in 2014. Her professional interests include chronic disease state management and transitions of care. Nicole will complete a PGY2 in ambulatory care at UPMC St. Margaret. Nicole would ultimately like to obtain a position with a balance of teaching and clinical practice. She enjoys Syracuse basketball, the beach, and baking.



Sarah Rindfuss, PharmD
PGY2 Ambulatory Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Sarah is from Harrison City, Pa., and received her PharmD from the

University of Pittsburgh in 2013. She completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC St. Margaret. Her interests include chronic disease state management, transitions of care, and interprofessional education and collaboration. She hopes to pursue a position with a balance of teaching and clinical responsibilities. Outside of pharmacy, Sarah enjoys running, biking, and baking.



Ryan Rivosecchi, PharmD
PGY2 Critical Care
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Ryan is from Indiana, Pa., and received his PharmD from the

University of Pittsburgh in 2013. He completed his PGY1 pharmacy residency at UPMC Presbyterian last year. His primary interests are critical care, academia, and outcomes-based research. In his spare time, he enjoys playing hockey, golf, and cheering on his alma mater.



Katherine Roberts, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Mercy

Katie is from Youngstown, Ohio, and received her PharmD from Duquesne University in May

2014. Her professional interests include critical care, cardiology, and research. She plans to pursue a PGY2 residency in one of these specialty areas and desires a career with both clinical and academic components. Aside from pharmacy Katie enjoys spending time with family and friends, exercising, and supporting her Pittsburgh sports teams.



Anand Shah, PharmD
PGY2 Oncology
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Shadyside

Anand received his PharmD from University at Buffalo in 2011. He

completed his PGY1 residency at Allegheny General Hospital in 2012. Thereafter, he completed two years of staffing at Memorial-Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York, N.Y. His professional interests include hematologic malignancies and bone marrow transplantation. Anand hopes to continue to impact patient care and have an active role in research and leadership.



Angela Shick, PharmD
PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Hamot

Angela is from Warren, Pa., and received her PharmD from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic

Medicine School of Pharmacy in June 2014. After residency she plans to either pursue a PGY2 residency or obtain a clinical faculty position. Outside of pharmacy, Angela enjoys tennis, live music, traveling, and spending quality time with family and friends.

MEET THE RESIDENTS (2014-2015)



Vivian Tang, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Shadyside

Vivian received her PharmD from Oregon State University in 2014 and her Bachelor's in biology from

University of California, Davis. Her professional interests include hematology/oncology, transplant and ambulatory care. She plans to pursue a PGY2 in one of these specialties. In her free time, she enjoys long-distance trail running, stand-up comedy and international travel.



Dan (Tina) Tran, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Shadyside

Tina received her PharmD from the University of California, San Francisco in 2014. Her professional

interests include infectious diseases, education, and global health. After completing her residencies, Tina plans to pursue a joint clinical/faculty position at an academic medical center where she hopes to make a difference in the lives of patients locally and globally. Outside of work, Tina enjoys traveling, yoga, and salsa dancing.



Gregory Trietley, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC St. Margaret

Greg is from Buffalo, New York, and received his PharmD from the University of Pittsburgh in

2014. His professional interests include academia and research with a focus on common disease states, including diabetes and hypertension. Greg will complete a PGY2 in ambulatory care at UPMC St. Margaret next year. Outside of pharmacy, Greg enjoys hockey and is also an avid writer and fencer. Go Bills.



Nathan Verlinden, PharmD

PGY2 Cardiology
Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Nathan is originally from Manitowoc, Wisconsin, and

received his PharmD from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa in 2013. He completed his PGY1 pharmacy residency at the University of Toledo Medical Center in Toledo, Ohio. His practice interests include heart failure, arrhythmias, and anticoagulation. After his PGY2, Nathan plans on pursuing an academic faculty position. In his spare time, Nathan enjoys hiking, exploring, and reading.



Anh Vu, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Anh is from Broomfield, Colorado, and received her PharmD from the University of Colorado Skaggs

School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences in 2014. Her professional interests include critical care, solid organ transplant, and clinical research. She plans to pursue a PGY2 residency and ultimately practice as a clinical specialist at an academic medical center. In her spare time, she enjoys playing tennis and baking.



Cory Weaver, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Presbyterian

Cory is from Grafton, W.V., and received her PharmD with an area of emphasis in research from West

Virginia University in 2014. Her professional interests include critical care, pharmacy management, and research. She hopes to complete a PGY2 residency in critical care and pursue a clinical specialist position. Cory enjoys outdoor activities, going to concerts, traveling, and spending time with her family, friends, and dog.



William Wilberg, PharmD

PGY1 Managed Care
Pharmacy Resident
CVS Caremark

Willie is from Green Bay, Wis., and graduated from University

of Wisconsin-Green Bay with a double major in chemistry and human biology with a health science emphasis. He completed his PharmD at The University of Minnesota in 2014. Willie's professional interests include the effects of market forces on the healthcare delivery and consumption, economic prediction, and the regulatory process.



G. Lucy Wilkening, PharmD

PGY2 Psychiatry
Pharmacy Resident
Western Psychiatric Institute
and Clinic of UPMC

Lucy received her PharmD from

Southwestern Oklahoma State University College of Pharmacy and completed her PGY1 pharmacy residency at Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic (WPIC) of UPMC. She is the current PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy Resident at WPIC. At the conclusion of her residency training, Lucy plans to pursue a clinical faculty position at a college of pharmacy.



Megan Zielke, PharmD

PGY1 Pharmacy Resident
UPMC Mercy

Megan received her PharmD from Duquesne University in 2014. Her professional interests

include critical care and psychiatric pharmacy. After completing a PGY1 residency she hopes to continue her clinical education through a PGY2 in critical care. Outside of pharmacy, Megan enjoys playing slow pitch softball and flag football, attending Pirates baseball games, and rooting for her hometown football team-The Ohio State Buckeyes!

Michael Armahizer ('10, '11) moved to Baltimore and is now a neurocritical care clinical specialist at University of Maryland Medical Center.

Jennifer Bacci ('12) was recognized as one of ten outstanding pharmacists who have been practicing for less than ten years by the The Pennsylvania Pharmacists Association (PPA) at the 2014 Annual Conference in September 2014. The Ten Under Ten Awards recognize the top ten pharmacists practicing for less than ten years that demonstrate commitment to advancing the profession, involvement in PPA and other pharmacy associations, and/or service to their community.

Anthony Casapao ('11) completed his ID fellowship in April 2014, and is currently an assistant professor at Husson University. He practices at Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor, Maine.

Sean Cosgriff ('97) was named Preceptor of the Year by the 2014 graduating class at the College of Pharmacy at Oregon State University. He was also recently appointed to the Oncology Pharmacy Specialty Council for BPS. In July 2014, he was profiled in Pharmacy Today magazine:

www.pharmacist.com/transforming-care-portland-s-chemotherapy-patients

Rebecca Crooks ('13) is now a clinical pharmacist at Mount Nittany Medical Center in State College, Pa.

Emily Czeck ('13) completed her PGY2 residency and is now a mental health clinical pharmacy specialist at Battle Creek Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Battle Creek, MI.

Megan Fleischman ('13) was chair of the Patient Centered Medical Home committee at her practice site, and she received national recognition as a level 3 (highest level) Patient Centered Medical Home.

Patrick Gleason ('94) was promoted to adjunct professor at the University of Minnesota, College of Pharmacy. He also received the 2014 Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) Spirit of Volunteerism Award.

Bethany (Fedutes) Henderson ('03) was recently promoted to Senior Regional Medical Liaison at Sanofi.

Maho Hibino ('12) is a clinical oncology specialist at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich., and an adjunct assistant professor at Wayne State University Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Detroit, Mich.

Ashley Holzworth-Nash ('10) is now with Express Scripts, Inc., as a clinical account executive.

Andrea Hoops ('10) is now a clinical pharmacist with Evolent Health, a fairly new population health company.

Melanie Joy ('94) was recently awarded an NIH ROI grant to study the influence of vitamin D on drug metabolizing enzymes and transporters in chronic kidney disease. She was also elected to the chair-elect position of the AAPS Rocky Mountain Discussion Group for 2014.

Yardlee Kauffman ('11, '12) completed her research fellowship and is now assistant professor of clinical pharmacy at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy.

Jenny Kim ('11) recently switched jobs and is now an internal medicine clinical specialist at INOVA Fairfax Hospital in Falls Church, Virginia.

Jeffrey Little ('09, '10) received the ASHP New Practitioners Forum Distinguished Service Award at the 2013 Midyear Clinical Meeting.

Brandi (Kennedy) Lumley ('09) was recently promoted, and is now program manager for clinical pharmacy services at VA Butler Healthcare.

Michelle Maguire ('12) is a clinical pharmacist with Southeast, Inc., specializing in mental health and recovery services, in Columbus, Ohio.

Ian McGrane ('12) is now a clinical psychiatric pharmacist at Shodair Children's Hospital in Helena, Mont.

Vanessa Millisor ('13) completed her PGY2 residency and is now an assistant professor at The Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy at Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich. She will be teaching in the oncology module and working in the ambulatory setting at Beaumont Hospital's Rose Cancer Center.

Louise-Marie (Gillis) Oleksiuk ('12) won first place in the quality category at the 2014 UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Quality and Safety Fair and the Shadyside Hospital Foundation Award for her antimicrobial stewardship work.

David Portman ('12) is currently a clinical pharmacy specialist with VA Butler Healthcare.

Amy Patel ('12) is now a clinical pharmacist at Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey.

Heather (Kudis) Sakely ('05) was awarded the 2014 Preceptor of the Year award by the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy Class of 2014.

Celeste Sejnowski ('13) completed her PGY2 residency in critical care, and is now a clinical pharmacist at Promedica Flower Hospital in Sylvania, Ohio.

Aaron Steffenhagen ('02) was appointed chair of the ASHP Section of Clinical Specialists and Scientists Section Advisory Group on Clinical Leadership for 2014-2015.

Johanna Thompson ('13) completed her PGY2 residency and is a clinical pharmacist specialist with Providence Health and Services in the Portland area. She is the first full-time clinical pharmacist at the Providence Newberg Internal and Family Medicine Clinic.

J. Michael Vozniak ('03) began his one-year term as president for the Hematology/Oncology Pharmacy Association (HOPA) in March 2014. HOPA is a nonprofit professional organization founded in 2004 to help hematology and oncology pharmacy practitioners and their associates provide the best possible cancer care.

Andrea Wilson ('07) accepted a commission as Captain in the US Army Reserves-67E (pharmacist) and will drill at the 256th CSH in Twinsburg, Ohio.

Dan Yarabinec ('13) passed the BCPS exam in the spring, and he is now one of the residency coordinators for the PGY1 program at Baylor All Saints Medical Center.

Newly Wed:

Liz Forsberg ('10) and *Ben Cassidy* on October 13, 2013

Abigail Gregg ('14) and *Jason Steele* on June 7, 2014

Ashley Holzworth ('10) and *Brian Nash* on July 19, 2014

Jenny Kim ('11) and *Eric Wong* on June 14, 2014

Dan Yarabinec ('13) and *Ashley Toale* on October 4, 2014

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2014 ASHP Midyear Meeting

Anaheim, CA
December 7-11, 2014

UPMC and University of Pittsburgh

Alumni and Friends Reception

Monday, December 8
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Sheraton Park Hotel at the Anaheim Resort
1855 South Harbor Boulevard
Garden Ballroom

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