

St. Michael's Hospital Pharmacy Residency Program



Program Description

Established in 1964

1 year (50 wks + 2 wks vacation)

Emphasis on pharmaceutical care in inpatient and ambulatory settings

Experience in teaching, leadership, research and project management

Several electives to choose from!

The resident is NOT expected to work evenings/weekends



Quick Facts

Established in 1892 by the sisters of St. Joseph, with the founding goal of taking care of the sick and poor in Toronto's inner city.

Urban acute care hospital, with 460 inpatient beds and over 25,000 inpatient visits per year

Over 500,000 ambulatory care visits yearly between six academic family health team sites

Teaching hospital with nearly 4,000 medical trainees and health professional learners yearly

One of the two level 1 adult trauma centres in the Greater Toronto Area

St. Mike's Values – human dignity, compassion, excellence, community, and inclusivity

In 2017, formed a single health network with Providence Healthcare and St. Joseph's Health Centre.



Pharmacy Department

Made up of more than 120 staff members (pharmacists, technicians, and support staff)

The staff is eager to help and the resident works closely with many members of the team

Many past residents are now current staff and residency preceptors!

There is a ton of support and mentorship from the team, so you are never alone!

A word from the current residents...

The pharmacy residency program at Unity Health Toronto provides pharmacists with an exceptional opportunity to develop their professional skills and strengthen their clinical knowledge in the heart of the city. As one of the oldest hospital pharmacy residency programs in Canada, Unity Health Toronto is constantly evolving its program to ensure their residents receive the highest-quality training. Unity Health stands out among other programs as it is truly a leader in hospital pharmacy practice. With a strong team of clinical experts, extensive academic opportunities, and a wide array of specialties, Unity Health Toronto offers care from beginning to end of life. With its own innovative research centre, the hospital offers its residents a conducive learning environment with ample support and resources. Also known as the "Urban Angel", St. Michael's Hospital serves the underprivileged population of Toronto, making a difference one patient at a time.

Unity Health's pharmacy residency program was our top choice because of its emphasis on academic excellence and the opportunity to learn alongside leading clinical experts. Since joining the organization, it is evident that the pharmacy residency program is deeply integrated in the pharmacy and hospital structure, allowing an enriching learning experience. Additionally, St. Michael's residency program offers unique clinical rotations that will further strengthen us as future clinicians. We look forward to embarking on this journey and growing to become strong clinical pharmacists and leaders.

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