



Allegheny General Hospital

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Position:

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial Stewardship

Allegheny Health Network is an integrated delivery network focused on preserving health care choice and providing affordable, high-quality care to the people in our communities. With more than 14,000 employees including 7,400 health care professionals, nearly 200 primary care and specialty care practices, Allegheny Health Network includes seven hospitals in Pennsylvania with nearly 2,400 licensed beds. Allegheny Health Network's clinical expertise ranges from primary care to the most complex surgical procedures. Services include cancer diagnosis and treatment, cardiovascular care, neurological and neurosurgical services, organ transplantation, orthopedic and rehabilitation services, and women's health.

The Antimicrobial Stewardship Program at Allegheny General Hospital was implemented in 2000 and encompasses a multi-disciplinary approach with representation from the Division of Infectious Disease, Pharmacy, Infection Prevention and Microbiology. Prior authorization of restricted antimicrobials and prospective audit and feedback are core strategies for the ASP. Disease-based initiatives include (but are not limited to): drug-bug mismatch review, blood culture review, lower respiratory tract infections, skin and soft tissue infections, and Clostridium difficile infection review.

Allegheny General Hospital is expanding its Antimicrobial Stewardship Program and recruiting for an additional Clinical Pharmacy Specialist to assist with optimizing patient care.

Job Summary:

- Optimizes patient care by promoting rational, safe, and cost effective drug therapy, by providing clinical services in the area of infectious disease and antimicrobial stewardship.
- Reviews and evaluates patients' drug/medical history to make recommendations that optimize antimicrobial therapy, by providing drug information and evaluation of medical literature during rounds with physicians, through verbal or written consultations, and drug utilization reviews/monitors.
- Provides patient education on drug therapy and assists with medication counseling, including coordination of care between inpatient and outpatient settings.
- Conducts pharmacy practice research by collecting, analyzing, trending, collating, and evaluating data to be synthesized into reports (e.g. formulary evaluations, adverse drug reactions, ongoing monitors, non-formulary requests, or specific drug usage evaluations) for action by committees.
- Promotes interdisciplinary teamwork by working on clinical pathways, committees, and task forces.
- Provides formal education to pharmacists, pharmacy residents, students and health care providers through in-services or lectures.
- Creates a culture of learning and sharing in the network that supports the development of a fully qualified clinical staff through coaching, motivation and empowerment.
- Contributes to the medical community and pharmacy practice by presenting research at meetings and/or publishing results in journals.
- Performs all other duties as assigned or required.

Job Requirements:

- Licensed or eligible for licensure as a Registered Pharmacist in the state of PA at hire.
- Requires completion of a PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency and PGY-2 Infectious Diseases Pharmacy Residency or four years of equivalent antimicrobial stewardship or infectious disease-related experience.
- Requires critical thinking skills, decisive judgment and the ability to work unsupervised or with minimal supervision.
- Must be able to work in a dynamic environment and take appropriate action.

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