



TITLE: Pharmacy Residency – Requirements for Licensure	
SECTION: Pharmacy	POLICY NUMBER: PHAR-112
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AFFECTED AREAS: All TriHealth pharmacy residency programs	
POLICY OWNER: Residency Program Director(s)	
APPROVED BY: VP of Pharmacy Services	

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline requirements for licensure for TriHealth pharmacy residents.

BACKGROUND

The American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) requires pharmacy residencies to have policies addressing requirements for licensure. Specifically, this addresses ASHP Accreditation Standard for Postgraduate Residency Programs Standards 2.4, 2.4.a, and 2.4.b:

2.4 Requirements for Licensure

2.4.a Residents are licensed pharmacists in the state(s) or jurisdiction(s) as required by the program (or equivalent registration in the country if outside of the US) prior to or within 120 days after the program start date.

2.4.b Licensure policies include a licensure deadline and information about how the program will be modified if the resident is not licensed within 120 days to ensure residents complete at least two-thirds of their residency as a licensed pharmacist.

POLICY

Regarding licensure, TriHealth PGY1 pharmacy residents are required to be licensed pharmacists in the state of Ohio within 90 days of the program start date. If a resident should fail one or both required licensure examinations on the first attempt, the resident must notify the Program Director in writing. Per the Ohio Board of Pharmacy, examinees must wait a minimum of forty-five days to retake the NAPLEX and a minimum of thirty days to retake the MPJE. If re-examination is necessary, the maximum number of times a resident is allowed to retake a single exam is once. Failure of a single licensure exam more than once will result in dismissal from the program.

PGY2 pharmacy residents are required to be licensed pharmacists in the state of Ohio within 30 days of the official program start date. The Ohio Board of Pharmacy allows for licensure reciprocity without the requirement of a jurisprudence examination. As such, it is expected PGY2 residents holding licensure in another state will begin the reciprocity process upon matching to the program. PGY2 resident failure to obtain licensure within 30 days of the official program start date will result in dismissal from the program.