

Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center

PGY-1 Pharmacy Residency Program

Preceptor Introductions



Director of Pharmacy Services

James (Jamie) Caldwell, PharmD, received his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy from Duquesne University in 1979. After brief employment in retail and hospital pharmacy, he enrolled at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy PharmD Program from which he graduated in 1985. He completed the ASHP Pharmacy Leadership Academy program in 2012. Jamie has worked at Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center (LHAAMC) since 1981, initially working in a staffing position. In 1985, he advanced to a clinical pharmacist position providing pharmaceutical care to patients at LHAAMC and serving on a variety of committees. As he worked to expand the clinical program at LHAAMC, he was promoted to Clinical Pharmacy Coordinator to lead the clinical pharmacy program for inpatient and outpatient populations.

In 2005, Jamie was promoted to Pharmacy Director. In that role, he has led the operational and strategic growth of the department, developing numerous new programs and pharmacies. Jamie enjoys family, cooking, traveling, outdoor activities, and competitive swimming.

Preceptor for: Administration and Management

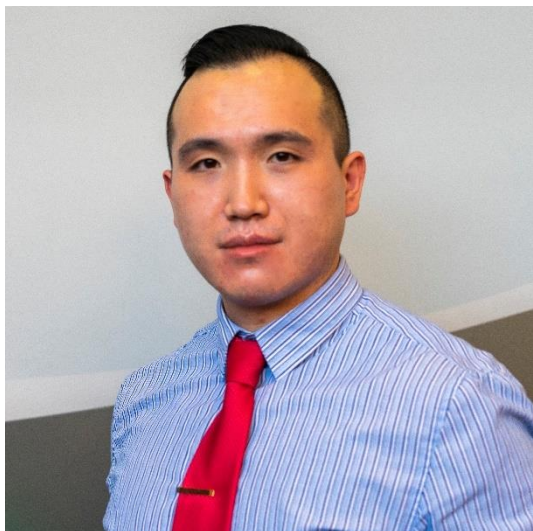


Pharmacy Residency Program Director

Sahil Sheth, PharmD, BCCCP, received his Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University Of Maryland Eastern Shore - School of Pharmacy. He then went on to complete a PGY-1 residency at Suburban Hospital - Johns Hopkins Medicine where he focused primarily on antimicrobial stewardship and critical care medicine. After finishing his residency, he joined UMES – School of Pharmacy as Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice where he taught critical care, infectious diseases, neurology, and decompensated cirrhosis. He also practiced in the medical and cardiothoracic intensive care units at Peninsula Regional Medical Center, where he served as the critical care pharmacy specialist.

Currently, Sahil is the clinical pharmacy manager and focuses on integrating and expanding clinical pharmacy services across Luminis Health System, as well as overseeing the Pharmacy Residency Program. In his free time, he enjoys traveling, wine tasting, playing tennis, and watching NFL on Sundays.

Preceptor for: Administration and Management



Pharmacy Residency Program Coordinator

Wai Chan, PharmD, BCPS, earned his Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2016, graduating magna cum laude. He completed his PGY-1 residency at Peninsula Regional Medical Center. He then joined LHAAMC in the summer of 2017 as a clinical staff pharmacist.

Wai currently serves as the clinical pharmacy specialist in general surgery and is the Pharmacy Residency Program coordinator. His professional interests include internal medicine and nutrition support. His hobbies include eating a lot of food, and nap time.

Preceptor for: Pharmacotherapy, Internal Medicine



Andre Allen, PharmD, received his Doctorate of Pharmacy from Howard University College of Pharmacy in 2014. He then completed his PGY-1 residency at Howard University Hospital.

Andre is currently a clinical staff pharmacist for the inpatient oncology unit at LHAAMC. His professional interests include internal medicine and oncology. In his free time, he enjoys reading, traveling, and working out.

Preceptor for: Hematology and Oncology



Christian Bernhardt, PharmD, BCCP, currently serves as the Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Cardiology at LHAAMC and is originally from Malverne, New York. His practice location includes patients in the Heart and Vascular Unit as well as those in the Cardiovascular Recovery Unit post-op from cardiac surgery. He earned his Doctor of Pharmacy from The University at Buffalo School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences and completed his PGY-1 and PGY-2 in cardiology training at the University of Maryland. He currently is also a Board Certified Cardiology Pharmacist.

His professional interests include acute decompensated heart failure, chronic heart failure management, and post-op cardiac surgery care. During his spare time, Christian enjoys running, cooking, and training his Boston Terriers.

Preceptor for: Cardiology



Kimberly Crabtree, PharmD, graduated with her Doctorate of Pharmacy from Auburn University's Harrison School of Pharmacy. Kimberly has worked in a variety of settings and capacities throughout her career. In Illinois, she held roles as a Clinical Staff Pharmacist at AMITA Health St. Alexius Medical Center and Pharmacy Operations Supervisor at Northwest Community Hospital.

Immediately before joining LHAAMC, Kimberly worked as a Telepharmacist with PipelineRx supporting 15 hospitals throughout multiple time zones. She is currently a lead clinical staff pharmacist – operations. In her free time, Kimberly enjoys photography, travel, and gardening.

Preceptor for: Operations



Dana Hack, PharmD, received her Doctorate of Pharmacy from South University School of Pharmacy. She has over 10 years of experience in clinical outpatient hematology/oncology, and investigation drug services. Prior to moving to Maryland, she worked in a private oncology office in Georgia. After relocating to the area in 2013, she transitioned to the outpatient hospital setting. Her professional areas of interest include hematology/oncology, supportive care for oncology patients, clinical research, and pharmacy informatics.

Currently, Dana is the Clinical Pharmacy Manager for the Outpatient Infusion Pharmacy and oversees the investigation drug services at LHAAMC. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, crafting, and playing the piano.

Preceptor for: Outpatient Infusion



Randi Jenkins, PharmD, BCPS, graduated with her Doctorate of Pharmacy from University of Maryland, School of Pharmacy in 2019. She then went on to complete her PGY-1 residency at LHAAMC. After finishing her residency, she began her career at LHAAMC as a clinical pharmacy specialist in the emergency department.

Her professional interests include critical care, anticoagulation, stroke, and resuscitation. In her free time, she enjoys cooking, reading, watching The Office, and spending time with her family.

Preceptor for: Emergency Medicine



Richard Jiang, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP, received his Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University Of Maryland Eastern Shore - School of Pharmacy. He then went on to complete a PGY-1 residency at Peninsula Regional Medical Center.

In 2020, Richard transitioned to his current role of clinical pharmacy specialist in infectious diseases at LHAAMC. His professional areas of interest include gram-negative resistance, pharmacy administration, and resident and student education. In his spare time, Richard enjoys cooking for friends, traveling, and hanging out with his two dogs.

Preceptor for: Infectious Disease and Antimicrobial Stewardship



Veronica Kerner, PharmD, BCACP, earned her Doctorate of Pharmacy from Texas A & M Health Science Center College of Pharmacy in 2010. After graduation, Veronica worked as a retail pharmacist for approximately two years before starting at the LHAAMC Anticoagulation Clinic in December of 2012. She completed a certificate program in anticoagulation therapy management from the University of Southern Indiana College of Nursing and Health Professions in May 2013 and received a Board Certification in Ambulatory Care Pharmacy in 2019.

Veronica served as the supervisor of the Anticoagulation Clinic from 2015 to April 2020, when she stepped down to take a part-time position. She currently continues as a clinical pharmacist in the Ambulatory Pharmacy Department. In her free time, Veronica enjoys chasing around her children, listening to medical podcasts, and riding her Peloton to stay sane.

Preceptor for: Anticoagulation Services



Aamir Kokan, PharmD, graduated with his Doctorate of Pharmacy from Duquesne University School of Pharmacy in 2001. Upon graduation, he went on to have experience with retail pharmacy, home infusion, and long-term acute care pharmacy before moving to Maryland.

Aamir currently a clinical pharmacy specialist in pharmacotherapy at LHAAMC. His professional interests include parenteral nutrition and anticoagulation. In his free time, he enjoys hanging out with his children, reading, and binge-watching TV shows.

Preceptor for: Internal Medicine



Sara Kreshpanji, PharmD received her Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2020. She then went on to complete a PGY-1 residency at Luminis Health LHAAMC. After finishing her residency, she stayed on as a Clinical Staff Pharmacist working primarily on the Oncology Unit.

Her professional areas of interest include oncology, psychiatry, and transitions of care. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with family and friends, running, and playing with her cat Buddy.

Preceptor for: Hematology and Oncology



Nirvana Maharaj, PharmD, BCPS, received her Doctorate of Pharmacy from the University of Maryland - School of Pharmacy in 2014. Upon graduation, she joined the clinical-staff pharmacist team at LHAAMC.

In 2020, Nirvana transitioned to her current role as the clinical informatics pharmacist where she primarily works with Epic, Pyxis ES, Pharmogistics, and IV pump systems. She enjoys using technology to integrate the clinical and operational aspects of pharmacy in order to provide safe, effective care for patients. In her free time, she enjoys playing with her dog Milo and making plans for her next travel adventures.

Preceptor for: Informatics



Breanne Nestor, PharmD, BCCCP, graduated with her Doctorate of Pharmacy from University of Pittsburgh, School of Pharmacy in 2009. She then went on to complete her PGY-1 residency at Saint Vincent Medical Center in Erie, PA. After finishing her residency, she practiced at Geisinger Medical Center in the Emergency Department and Intensive Care Unit before moving to Maryland.

Breanne is currently a clinical pharmacy specialist in critical care at LHAAMC. Her professional interests include cardiac arrest, anticoagulation reversal, and resuscitation. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her husband and twin boys.

Preceptor for: Critical Care Medicine



Sumati Rao, PhD, RPh, CJCP, received her Doctorate degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences from University of Cincinnati. She worked in drug development for pharmaceutical companies in India and was on the faculty at Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy for 11 years where she taught courses in pharmaceutics and pharmacokinetics.

Currently, Dr. Rao is the Medication Safety Specialist at LHAAMC where she works collaboratively with all members of the healthcare team to assess the medication management system, design solutions to system failures, institute practice changes, and provide pharmaceutical services that improve safety, efficacy, and cost-effectiveness. She contributes to the organizations' just culture of safety and serves as one of the pharmacy experts to achieve compliance with the Joint Commission standards regarding medication management. In her free time, she enjoys reading mystery novels, watching science fiction movies, and spending time with family and friends.

Preceptor for: Medication Safety



Kristen Zak, PharmD, BCPS, CDCES, earned a Doctorate of Pharmacy from UCSF Pharmacy School in 2010. She then completed a PGY-1 pharmacy residency with a focus on Ambulatory Care at Kaiser Permanente in Union City, CA. She earned her Board Certification in Pharmacotherapy (BCPS) in 2011, and continued to work for Kaiser until 2020 in several Ambulatory Care clinics. Kristen became a Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist (CDCES) in 2019.

Kristen is currently an ambulatory care clinical pharmacist at LHAAMC. She works in multiple ambulatory care clinics, including Endocrinology, Primary Care, Advanced Internal Medicine, and Anticoagulation. In her free time, Kristen likes spending time with her family, cooking, and traveling.

Preceptor for: Ambulatory Care, Drug Therapy Management Clinic