



CalOptima
Health

PGY-1

**MANAGED
CARE PHARMACY
RESIDENCY**

About CalOptima Health



Our mission

To serve member health with excellence and dignity, respecting the value and needs of each person.

“Better. Together.” is our motto, and it means that by working together we can make things better – for our members and community. As a public agency, CalOptima Health was founded by the community as a COHS that offers health insurance programs for low-income children, adults, seniors and people with disabilities. We are located in Orange County, California.

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CalOptima Health

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Application deadline is the first Monday in January

Applications must include:

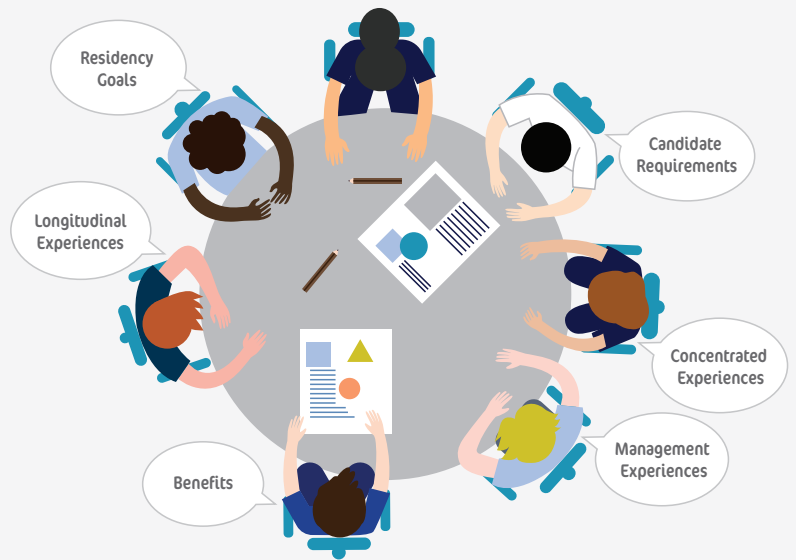
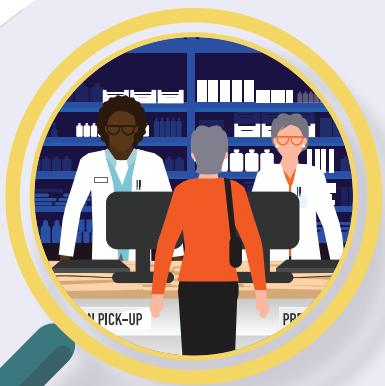
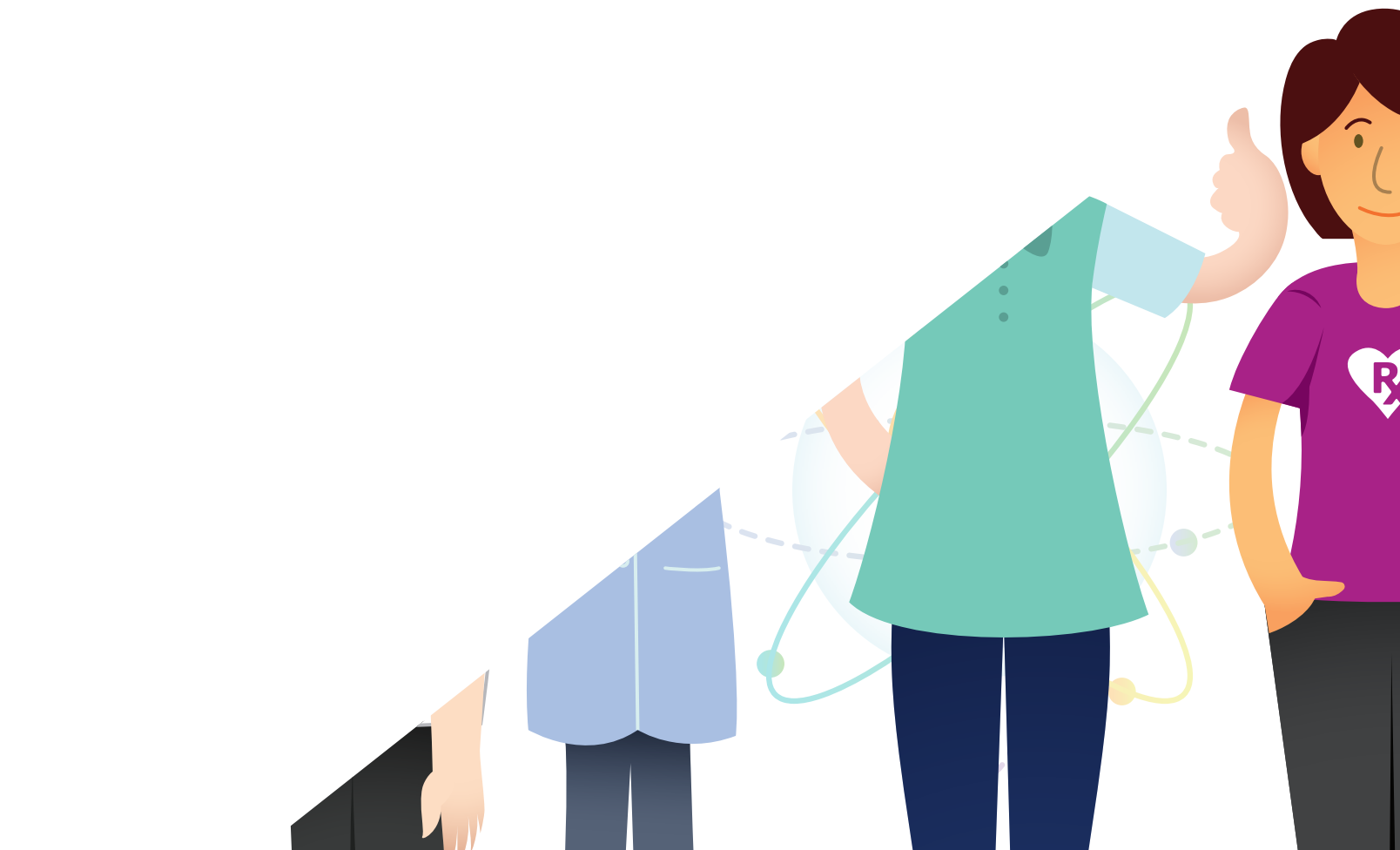
- ✦ Curriculum vitae
- ✦ Letter of intent
- ✦ Three letters of recommendation submitted by the letter writers on the CalOptima Health application portal
- ✦ Official pharmacy school transcript sent directly from the school to hrrecruitment@caloptima.org

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Questions about the program?

Send an email to pharmd@caloptima.org



Program Overview

The CalOptima Health PGY-1 Managed Care Pharmacy Residency provides a broad overview of **managed care pharmacy practice** at a **County Organized Health System (COHS)**, with **direct patient care** through a variety of **clinical services**.

Longitudinal Experiences

- Medication Therapy Management (MTM)
- Interdisciplinary Care Team (ICT)
- Clinical newsletters



Residency Goals

- Design and implement clinical programs to enhance quality of care
- Ensure safety and quality of medication-use systems for members
- Implement pharmacy benefits for Medicaid and Medicare members
- Strengthen leadership and project management skills
- Provide written clinical communication for members, providers and pharmacies
- Demonstrate effective patient counseling in the health plan setting
- Develop and complete a residency project for Western States Conference



Concentrated Experiences

- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
- Coverage determination review and criteria development
- Drug monograph completion
- Drug Utilization Review (DUR)

Management Experiences

- Medicaid and Medicare regulations review
- Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee participation
- HEDIS and Star measure focused projects
- Policies and procedures development and maintenance
- Business proposal development

Benefits

- Competitive stipend with paid holidays, paid time off, and full health, dental and vision benefits
- Tuition reimbursement for residency-related skill development
- Western States Residency Conference
- One clinical conference





Candidate Requirements

- Candidate must be a graduate of an accredited school of pharmacy with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree
- Candidate must obtain licensure within 120 calendar days of entering the program
- Candidate must have knowledge of:
 - Current clinical pharmacotherapeutics and disease state management
 - Principles of pharmacoeconomics
 - Managed health care principles and managed health care organizations
 - Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel and PowerPoint)
 - Oral and visual presentation and marketing techniques for pharmacy programs
- Application materials must include:
 - Current curriculum vitae
 - Letter of intent, which must address:
 - » Career objectives
 - » Goals and expectations of a residency program
 - Three letters of recommendation
 - Official school of pharmacy transcript
 - All application materials must be received by the deadline
- Interview for selected candidates

