Pharmacy Education, Residency Training and Board Certification

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Pharmacy Education

• Programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education
• BS degree evolved into a Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) degree program
  – Mandatory in year 2000
  – Increased focused on clinical care
• Typical curriculum:
  – Pre-pharmacy: typically 2-3 yrs
  – Professional: 4 yrs (some 3 yr programs)
  • Mix of didactic and experiential the first 3 years
  • Final year should be exclusively experiential
**Post-licensure Scope of Practice**

- **Breadth of Patient / Practice Focus**
  - **Broad**
  - **Narrow**

- **Level of Knowledge, Skills, and Experience**
  - **Entry-Level**
  - **Advanced**

- **Pharmacy degree and license**

- **Generalist Practitioner**
  - Wide variety of patients and diseases; minor ailments to more complex conditions

- **Focused practitioner**
  - Wide variety of diseases in a unique setting or population, or a narrow disease focus

- **Advanced generalist Practitioner**
  - Wide variety of patients and diseases; complex healthcare issues

- **Advanced focused Practitioner**
  - Focused patient populations; medically complex patients, therapies, and/or technologies

Post-licensure Credentials

Breadth of Patient / Practice Focus

Entry-Level

PGY1

PGY2

CDM

CDE

BC-ADM

CGP

BCPS

BCACP

BCPS + Added Qualifications

BCNP

BCNSP

BCOP

BCPP

Critical Care Pediatrics

Pharmacy Residency Training Programs

• **PGY1 Residency**
  – Enhances general competencies in managing medication-use systems and supports optimal medication therapy outcomes for patients with a broad range of disease states
    • *General, Community Focused, Managed Care*

• **PGY2 Residency**
  – Increases the resident’s depth of knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities to raise the resident’s level of expertise in medication therapy management and clinical leadership in the area of focus
    • *Ambulatory Care, Critical Care, Oncology, ID*
    • *Others*…