

PGY-2 Ambulatory Care



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Hometown: Canal Winchester, OH

Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, University of Cincinnati College of Pharmacy; Doctor of Pharmacy, The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy; Bachelor of

Science in Exercise Science, Capital University

Practice Interest: Ambulatory Care, Diabetes Management, Heart Failure, and Preventive Health Service

Research Project: Pharmacist Impact on Access to Guideline Directed Therapy in an Endocrinology Clinic

Research Project Preceptor: Rachael Hiday, PharmD, MBA, BCPS, BCACP

Professional Development: University of Cincinnati Winkle College of Pharmacy Teaching Certificate Program, APhA member, ASHP member, OPA member

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Bias plans to obtain board certification in ambulatory care and work in a primary care or specialty clinic, seeing patients for chronic disease state management. In addition, she hopes to assist in increasing access to preventive health services in under-served communities

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Bias is she loved to sky dive and in her free time, she likes to travel.

PGY-2 Critical Care



Name: Evan Sawyer

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Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy; Master of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Critical Care, Traumatic Brain Injuries, and Pharmacokinetics in Critical Illness

Research Project: Time to Antibiotic Administration in Patients with an Open Fracture: Regression Analysis

Research Project Preceptor: Haley Peters, PharmD, BCCCP; Emily Miller, PharmD, FCCM, BCPS

Professional Development: IU Health On-Call Committee Chair, IU Health Critical Care Council Member, Neurocritical Care Society Member, SCCM Member, ASHP Member, Rho Chi Academic Honor Society

Future Career Plans: After completing his PGY2 residency, Dr. Sawyer plans to pursue a career as an ICU clinical specialist and obtain BCCCP certification. He also plans to participate in clinical research and has interest in post-training fellowship and Ph.D. opportunities.

Interesting Facts: In his free time, Dr. Sawyer likes to hike and visit national parks.

PGY-2 Emergency Medicine



Name: Michael Long

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Hometown: Hawkinsville, GA

Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, Memorial Health University Medical Center; Doctor of Pharmacy, University of Georgia College of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Resuscitation, Trauma, and Septic Shock

Research Project: Identifying Patient Specific Factors for Patients Presenting with Traumatic Injury that Would Benefit from Early Tranexamic Acid Administration based on Thromboelastography

Research Project Preceptor: Jessica Nicholson, PharmD, BCCCP and Haley Peters, PharmD, BCCCP

Professional Development: IU Health Emergency Medicine Committee, Cold Blue Committee, and Stroke Committee. Member of SCCM, ACCP, ASHP, and GSHP

Future Career Plans: After completing his PGY2 residency, Dr. Long plans to pursue a career in emergency medicine, conduct clinical research, precept pharmacy students and residents, and participate in disaster preparedness.

Interesting Facts: During his free time, Dr. Long enjoys hanging out on the lake, trying new breweries, and watching Georgia Bulldog football. Go dawgs!

PGY-2 Emergency Medicine



Name: Alex Ponce

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Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, University of Maryland Medical Center; Doctor of Pharmacy, Wilkes University Nesbitt School of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Emergency Medicine and Toxicology

Research Project: Epidemiology of Toxin-Induced Seizures

Research Project Preceptor:

Professional Development: American Academy of Clinical Toxicology (AACT), ASHP, Pisonhelp.org Development Committee

Future Career Plans: After completing his PGY2 residency, Dr. Ponce plans to pursue a career as an emergency medicine pharmacist or clinical toxicologist in the inpatient setting.

Interesting Facts: In his free time, Dr. Ponce likes to cook and hike.

PGY-2 Internal Medicine



Name: Elizabeth Mitchell

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Hometown: Chesapeake, VA

Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency,
Community Health Network

Practice Interest: Cardiology, Cardiovascular Risk Reduction, and Anticoagulation

Research Project: Analyzing Inpatient Medication Adherence to Oral Rivaroxaban vs Subcutaneous Enoxaparin for Venous Thromboembolism Prophylaxis in Patients with Sickle Cell Disease Crisis

Research Project Preceptor: Colleen Sakon, PharmD, BCPS

Professional Development: Butler University Residents and Fellows Academic Leadership Program and Indiana Pharmacy Teaching Certificate Program

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Mitchell plans to obtain a position as a clinical pharmacy specialist and serve as a faculty member or preceptor to students and residents.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Mitchell is she has such a passion for teaching, she served as a high school teacher before pharmacy school, served as the supplemental instruction leader for biostatistics, and a facilitator for Therapeutic Case studies. In her free time, Dr. Mitchell enjoys spending time with her family and friends, cooking, listening to classical music, and watching ancient history documentaries

PGY-2 Infectious Diseases



Name: Molly Tieman

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Hometown: Mooresville, IN

Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, Purdue University College of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Immunocompromised Infectious Disease, Antimicrobial Stewardship, and Outpatient Parenteral Antibiotic Therapy

Research Project: Bacitracin Vs. Saline as Irrigation Fluid for Prevention of Surgical Site Infections

Research Project Preceptor: Jon Hiles, PharmD, BCPS-AQ ID

Professional Development: SIDP Member, IU Health Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee Lead, IU Health On-call Committee, IU Health Pharmacy Resident Logistics Committee, Indiana Pharmacy Teaching Certificate

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2, Dr. Tieman hopes to obtain a position in antimicrobial stewardship and work with immunocompromised patients. She also hopes to become a preceptor to help develop the Infectious Disease knowledge of pharmacy students, residents, and share her passion for ID

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Tieman is she has 2 cats named Gus and Winston. In her free time, she loves to try new restaurants and hike.

PGY-2 Informatics



Name: Steven Chen

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Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, Rutgers University Ernerst Mario School of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Automation and Clinical Decision Support

Professional Development: NJSHP, ASHP, IPA, Teaching Certificate from Rutgers University, ASHP Pharmacy Informatics Certificate

Future Career Plans: After completing his PGY2, Dr. Chen plans to continue his career as a clinical informaticist and eventually become a consultant for Cerner or Epic.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Chen is in high school, I started a team that won a \$10,000 grant from the MIT InvenTeam initiative to develop and create an original invention. In his free time, he likes to play Pokémon Go

PGY-2 Solid Organ Transplant



Name: Miley Nikirk

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Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, Indiana University Health AHC; Doctor of Pharmacy, University of Kentucky College of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Abdominal Transplant, Genomics, and Immunology

Research Project: Evaluating Effects of CYP3A4 Pharmacogenomics on Time to Therapeutic Trough Concentrations of Tacrolimus in Kidney Transplant Recipients

Research Project Preceptor: Jeanne Chen, BS, PharmD, BCPS

Professional Development: IU Health Social, Resiliency, and Alumni Committee Chair; Member of American Society of Transplantation, Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society, ACCP, ASHP, and APhA.

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Nikirk plans to pursue a career as a solid organ transplant clinical specialist at an academic medical center serving as a preceptor to students and residents. In the future, she hopes to obtain board certification in solid organ transplant and teach as a faculty member at a college of pharmacy.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Nikirk is she is named after Elvis Presley's girlfriend in his movie Blue Hawaii. In her free time, she enjoys playing tennis, hiking, walking on the canal, and trying new restaurants.

PGY-2 Hematology/Oncology



Name: Muna Chemali

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Hometown: Latakia, Syria

Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Science; Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Tishreen University, Latakia, Syria

Practice Interest: Hematology/Oncology and Pharmacogenomics

Research Project: The Efficacy of Cryotherapy in Anthracycline-Induced Mucositis

Research Project Preceptor: Megan Grove, PharmD, BCOP; Morgan Gilbert, PharmD, BCOP; Raj Duggal, PharmD, BCOP

Professional Development: Indiana Pharmacy Teaching Certificate, IU Health Pharmacy Resident Education Committee, IU Health Chemotherapy Safety Committee, Rho Chi Academic Honors Society, Phi Kappa Phi Academic Honors Society, ASHP and ACCP member

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Chemali plans to pursue BCOP certification, practice in an academic health medical center, precept pharmacy students and residents, and teach as a faculty member at a college of pharmacy

Interesting Facts: In her free time, Dr. Chemali likes to participate in outdoor activities, travel, and try new foods.

PGY-2 Hematology/Oncology



Name: Lauren Dickerson Blackwell

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Hometown: Chattanooga, TN

Education: Doctor of Pharmacy, ETSU Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy

Practice Interest: Pharmacogenomics and Bone Marrow Transplant

Research Project: Sarcoma Response Rates to Ipilimumab and Nivolumab Determined by iRECIST and Choi Criteria

Research Project Preceptor: Sarah Spargo, PharmD, BCOP ; Pauline Kim, PharmD, BCOP

Professional Development: HOPA, ASHP, ISHP, Rho Chi Honors Society, Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Association

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Dickerson Blackwell plans to practice at an academic medical center as a hematology/oncology clinical specialist.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Dickerson Blackwell is she married her dream guy in September 2021. In her free time, she likes to try new coffee shops and restaurants, and take her retired racing greyhound on walks.

PGY2-Pediatrics



Name: Daniel Riggsbee

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Hometown: Cookeville, TN

Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, Indiana University Health AHC; Doctor of Pharmacy, University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Practice Interest: Pediatrics

Research Project: Safety of Inhaled Tobramycin for Pseudomonas Eradication in Cystic Fibrosis Patients less than 1 year of age

Research Project Preceptor: Rebecca Pettit, PharmD, MBA, BCPS, BCPPS, FCCP

Professional Development: 2021-2022 IU Health Chief Pharmacy Resident

Future Career Plans: After completing his PGY2 residency, Dr. Riggsbee plans to work as a pediatric clinical pharmacist.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Riggsbee is in college, he double majored in chemistry and music. In his free time, Dr. Riggsbee enjoys spending time with his family.

PGY2-Pediatrics



Name: Ashely Weaver

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Education: PGY1 Pharmacy Residency, University of Chicago Medicine; Doctor of Pharmacy, Butler University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences

Practice Interest: Pediatrics, Neonatology, and Transitions of Care

Research Project: Impact of the Timing of Reculture After Inhaled Tobramycin for Pseudomonas Eradication

Research Project Preceptor: Rebecca Pettit, PharmD, MBA, BCPS, BCPPS, FCCP

Professional Development: Riley Pediatric Medication Utilization Committee, Riley Neonatal Clinical Guideline Committee ACCP-Pediatrics PRN, ASHP

Future Career Plans: After completing her PGY2 residency, Dr. Weaver plans to pursue a career as a pediatric clinical pharmacist and obtain BCPPS certification. In the future, she hopes to grow as a clinical preceptor and mentor pharmacy learners throughout her career.

Interesting Facts: One interesting fact about Dr. Weaver is she played Division 1 soccer in pharmacy school. In her free time, she likes to travel and hike the National Parks.