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SUMMARY

Board certified oncology **clinical pharmacy specialist** with nine years of progressive **inpatient hospital pharmacy** experience after PGY1 and PGY2 residency training. PharmD prepared and actively licensed in Connecticut, with focused practice across oncology pharmacotherapy, multidisciplinary rounds, sterile compounding oversight, medication safety, antimicrobial stewardship, renal dosing, **IV to PO conversion**, and **evidence based drug information**. Leads specialty workflows, policy development, clinical monitoring, resident and student precepting, interdisciplinary education, technician coordination, and regulatory documentation. Reviews complex medication orders, resolves prescribing concerns, recommends formulary alternatives, counsels patients, and supports safe medication distribution. Brings sound judgment, clear communication, collaborative leadership, independent problem solving, and practical workflow improvement to high acuity hospital pharmacy services.

EXPERIENCE

Lead Clinical Pharmacist, Oncology

July 2023 - Present

Elm City University Hospital

New Haven, CT

Leads adult inpatient **oncology pharmacy** practice, **specialty governance**, sterile medication operations, clinical education, and technician coordination. Supports safe therapy decisions, compliant distribution, and continuous improvement across high acuity services.

- Reviewed antineoplastic regimens against laboratory values, organ function, **interactions**, and treatment intent.
- Resolved renal dosing, antimicrobial, IV to PO, access, and interaction questions during **multidisciplinary rounds**.
- Governed **USP 797** and **USP 800** workflows for hazardous and nonhazardous sterile compounded products.
- Built specialty policies and monitoring workflows, then presented findings through pharmacy governance.
- Precepted residents and students through oncology cases, literature evaluation, and formal clinical presentations.
- Directed technician priorities and final checks during high volume distribution periods, protecting safety and inventory.

Clinical Pharmacist, Hematology and Oncology

August 2020 - June 2023

Shoreline Regional Medical Center

Bridgeport, CT

Managed inpatient hematology and oncology pharmacotherapy, sterile compounding verification, clinical education, **patient counseling**, and **regulatory monitoring**. Connected evidence based recommendations with practical workflow improvements for prescribers, nurses, technicians, and pharmacy leaders.

- Evaluated profiles, protocols, cultures, organ function, and laboratory trends before medication **verification**.
- Recommended renal adjustments, antimicrobial interventions, IV to PO conversions, and formulary substitutions during rounds.
- Oversaw urgent sterile therapy preparation, **labeling**, documentation, technician checks, and final pharmacist verification.
- Created **drug information** responses and teaching materials that supported safer decisions for new therapies.
- Tracked medication use and regulatory indicators, escalating recurring compliance concerns with corrective recommendations.
- Counseled patients on treatment considerations and communicated clinically significant findings across care teams.

Clinical Pharmacist

July 2018 - July 2020

Connecticut Valley Hospital Network

Hartford, CT

Provided decentralized inpatient pharmacy coverage across medical and specialty units, combining order verification, clinical intervention, medication distribution support, drug information, safety review, and staff mentoring.

- Verified inpatient orders after reviewing diagnoses, allergies, laboratory values, interactions, and **dosing** parameters.
- Documented **renal dosing**, antibiotic monitoring, **IV to PO conversion**, and formulary interventions in records.
- Completed pharmacist checks and resolved packaging, labeling, availability, and technician preparation issues before **dispensing**.
- Answered time sensitive drug information requests using primary literature and current **pharmacotherapy** references.
- Supported Joint Commission and CMS reviews involving controlled medications, **safety** practices, and documentation.
- Mentored new pharmacists and students on verification workflow, clinical records, communication, and escalation.

Clinical Pharmacist

July 2017 - June 2018

Capitol Teaching Hospital

Hartford, CT

Transitioned from residency training into independent inpatient practice within a teaching hospital, supporting medication verification, clinical review, sterile product release, patient counseling, and student learning.

- Managed medication verification and clinical review for adult medical patients in a teaching hospital.
- Identified dosing, duplication, interaction, allergy, and prescribing concerns requiring clarification before dispensing.
- Applied **antimicrobial stewardship**, renal dosing, and IV to PO protocols under established clinical criteria.
- Verified **sterile compounded medications** and **IV solutions** against preparation, labeling, storage, and documentation requirements.
- Counseled patients on discharge medications and communicated unresolved therapy concerns to follow up teams.

- Supported student learning through case discussions, literature searches, workflow observations, and clinical documentation.

PROJECTS

Oncology Specialty Governance Program 📅 2026

Created specialty policies, clinical monitoring workflows, and governance reports for high risk oncology therapies. Used findings to guide practical safety and workflow improvements.

Sterile Medication Safety Initiative 📅 2023

Strengthened sterile compounding oversight through technician checks, documentation review, hazardous medication handling, and compliance monitoring aligned with USP 797 and USP 800.

LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Board Certified Oncology Pharmacist recognition, 2019
- Pharmacy residency teaching and precepting leadership, 2024
- Clinical medication safety contribution recognized by hospital pharmacy leadership, 2022

EDUCATION

Doctor of Pharmacy

2015

University of Connecticut GPA: 0

Storrs, CT

Coursework: Oncology pharmacotherapy, pharmacokinetics, sterile compounding, healthcare law

CERTIFICATIONS

- Board Certified Oncology Pharmacist 📅 2019
- Connecticut Pharmacist License, Active 📅 2017
- PGY2 Oncology Pharmacy Residency 📅 2017
- PGY1 Pharmacy Residency 📅 2016

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Oncology Pharmacy:** Antineoplastic therapy, supportive care, disease state pharmacotherapy
- Inpatient Pharmacy:** Medication verification, decentralized practice, pharmacy distribution
- Sterile Compounding:** USP 797, USP 800, IV solutions
- Clinical Pharmacotherapy:** Renal dosing, antibiotic dosing, IV to PO conversion
- Medication Safety:** Drug interactions, allergy review, medication monitoring
- Regulatory Standards:** Joint Commission, CMS Conditions of Participation, state drug laws
- Pharmacy Operations:** Technician workflow, inventory control, emergency acquisition
- Clinical Education:** Resident precepting, student rotations, in service education
- Drug Information:** Primary literature, pharmacotherapy references, evidence review
- Care Collaboration:** Multidisciplinary rounds, patient counseling, formulary alternatives

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| • Oncology Pharmacotherapy | • Multidisciplinary Rounds | • IV to PO Conversion | • Policy Development |
| • Inpatient Pharmacy | • Sterile Compounding | • Drug Information | • Clinical Monitoring |
| • Order Verification | • Antimicrobial Stewardship | • Patient Counseling | • Residency Precepting |
| • Patient Pharmacotherapy | • Renal Dosing | • Technician Oversight | |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Hospital pharmacy governance committee participant
- Interdisciplinary oncology education team contributor
- Pharmacy residency preceptor and student rotation mentor

LANGUAGES

- English (Native)
- Spanish (Intermediate)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Work Status : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST