NCODA Fellowship Program:

Oncology | Advocacy | Health Policy & Equity

About

NCODA is a national non-profit organization whose Mission is to empower the medically-integrated oncology team to deliver positive, patient-centered outcomes by providing leadership, expertise, quality standards and best practices. NCODA’s commitment to healthcare professionals, specifically pharmacists, extends beyond clinical practice. Our College Engagement Initiative supports pharmacy students in three distinct areas: 1) Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience (APPE) elective rotation in oncology, 2) Professional Student Organization chapters at pharmacy schools nationwide, and 3) Fellowship program.

Since 2019, NCODA has provided a unique and innovative Fellowship that focuses on important aspects in the oncology space, including advocacy, health policy & equity, improved patient access to oncology care, and an in-depth overview of oncology clinical and operational aspects. This Fellowship is offered to a qualified graduate of an ACPE-accredited pharmacy college/school. Over the last few years, we have refined our program to be among one of the top Fellowships in the country.

Our program provides an opportunity for first-hand experience working with healthcare leaders and pharmaceutical industry professionals. Our Fellows have learned how to effectively advocate for improved oncology care, as well as further institute programs and resources surrounding health policy and equitable access to cancer care. The Fellow will work full-time with NCODA. During this time, the Fellow will lead and co-lead numerous shared initiatives between NCODA and other industry stakeholders within the oncology field.

Shared Initiatives

The Fellow will lead numerous valuable patient-centered initiatives over the course of this 1-year Fellowship. Initiatives will be centered around three primary areas: 1) Oncology, 2) Advocacy, and 3) Health Policy & Equity. The Fellow will collaborate with and learn from the NCODA team of clinical pharmacists about how to communicate with external stakeholders and how to advocate for innovative resources for healthcare professionals and cancer patients alike. The Fellow will also play an integral role in creating new NCODA educational resources and building on to the established NCODA platform as well. This includes working on shared projects and initiatives built for use in medically integrated oncology pharmacy practices. Examples of shared initiatives include Positive Quality Interventions (PQIs), Oral Chemotherapy / IV Chemotherapy Education sheets (OCE / IVE), and Educational Webinars. These shared initiatives will bring awareness and valuable education to NCODA’s growing and diverse membership of medically integrated oncology pharmacy team members.
Unique Responsibilities

In addition to leading and working on shared initiatives and projects with NCODA, the Fellow will also have a variety of unique responsibilities. These responsibilities may include, but are not limited to:

- Exploring, evaluating, and creating guidelines for best practice scenarios in oncology surrounding the elimination of health disparities so that all Americans can achieve optimal health through improved access to care
- Collaborating with NCODA staff to lead new innovative projects that further our Mission
- Leading established projects, such as NCODA’s Patient Satisfaction Survey initiative, with a diverse team
- Precepting pharmacy students during NCODA’s elective Advanced Practice Pharmacy Experience (APPE) rotation
- Shadowing at medically integrated oncology pharmacy practices and/or at oncology advocacy organizations / associations
- Presenting at NCODA international (virtual and/or in-person) meetings
- Researching current oncology topics (disease states and treatment options)

Expectations

This Fellowship program is tailored to meet the needs of the Fellow and NCODA. The Fellowship will draw on the scientific and analytical strengths of the Fellow. The Fellow is expected to follow NCODA’s policies as outlined in the Employee Handbook while interacting with all stakeholders involved in this Fellowship. NCODA will employ the Fellow for one year.

Location & Travel

This position requires the Fellow to work on-site at the NCODA international corporate world headquarters in Cazenovia, NY. The Fellow may be required to travel periodically (< 10%) throughout the course of the fellowship program.

Hours

Monday – Friday | 9 AM – 5PM Eastern. The Fellow is an exempt employee.

Salary

Annual salary of $52,500 USD.
Application Requirements

- Completion of a PharmD degree at an ACPE accredited pharmacy school
- Letter of Intent
- Curriculum Vitae
- Unofficial Transcript(s)
- A minimum of 2 Letters of Recommendation
- A minimum of 1 Writing Sample

Preferred Experiences

- Project management experience
- Oncology familiarity
- NCODA Professional Student Organization involvement
- NCODA Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience participation

Disclosure

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*Application Deadline is 8/27/21*