University of Michigan Health System  
Department of Pharmacy Services

Clinical Pharmacist Specialist - Pediatric Infectious Diseases

About the Institution
The vision of the University of Michigan Health System (UMHS) is to create the future of health care through discovery and to become the national leader in health care, health care reform, biomedical innovation and education. As part of this world-class organization, the Department of Pharmacy Services has high standards for service, education, and research. Our Department has a rich history of excellence, including leaders in the Pharmacy Profession, an award-winning ASHP-Accredited Residency Program, and a strong relationship with the UM College of Pharmacy.

UMHS opened its new 12-story C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital in December 2011, enabling us to better fulfill our commitment to providing infants, children and pregnant women with the best health care possible. The new 1.1 million square foot complex includes a 12-story inpatient tower and 9-story clinic tower. The inpatient tower contains 348 inpatient beds including a 45-bed neonatal intensive care unit, 22-bed pediatric cardiothoracic intensive care unit, and 22-bed medical and surgical (non-cardiac) pediatric intensive care unit (PICU).

Job Summary
The UMHS Department of Pharmacy Services is seeking a highly-motivated individual to join our inpatient team in the role of Clinical Pharmacist Specialist in Pediatric Infectious Diseases. This individual will work as part of a team to assist in the development, implementation and monitoring of clinical services for all patients with an infectious disease consult. This position works collaboratively with the multidisciplinary team to provide services for a variety of pediatric patients in both critical and general care units.

Basic Functions and Responsibilities
The successful candidate will ensure and promote the safe, rational, efficacious and cost-effective use of antimicrobial therapy as well as promote antimicrobial stewardship initiatives including developing guidelines and policies, staff training activities, and developing quality improvement processes. This position reports to the Assistant Director-Education and Research in the Department of Pharmacy Services.

Characteristic Duties and Responsibilities
This individual will assist in the development, implementation and monitoring of clinical pharmacy practices consistent with the Health Systems needs and objectives. He/She will also provide pharmaceutical care by actively participating in daily multidisciplinary rounds with the infectious disease service and provide guidance for correct antimicrobial medication use including provision of ID approval for restricted antibiotics. Responsibilities will also include disease-based stewardship activities, daily review of restricted antibiotics including duration of therapy, appropriateness of coverage, prevention of adverse outcomes, and cost reduction if possible.

The successful candidate will also assist in the development of staff educational and training programs within and relating to the pediatric infectious disease service. In addition, he/she will actively participate in the training of staff, residents, and students from the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy.

Additional responsibilities include:
- Leading drug use projects, cost reduction/management initiatives, and quality improvement activities consistent with the Health Systems needs and objectives
• Antimicrobial stewardship in collaboration with the UMHS infectious disease pharmacy and physician team
• Participate in individual or collaborative scholarly/research activity
• Provide drug information and education to patients, caregivers, and other healthcare professionals
• Participate in unit-based, departmental, and institutional committee(s) related to infectious diseases, antimicrobial stewardship, and/or the care of pediatric patients
• Individual or collaborative scholarly/research activity is encouraged
• Local and National Professional Organization Involvement is encouraged

The UMHS Department of Pharmacy Services Annual Pharmacy Report can be found here:

Required Qualifications
Preferred applicants will have a Doctor of Pharmacy degree or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

A certificate of completion from a specialty residency (PGY2) in infectious diseases or pediatrics, fellowship, or an equivalent combination of education, training, and experience is required.

Current license to practice pharmacy in the State of Michigan (including a Controlled Substance license), or eligibility to become licensed within 60 days of employment start date is required.

Ability to perform a variety of manual dexterity movements, including keyboarding, as well as fluency in reading, writing and speaking English are required.

Desired Qualifications
Experience as a clinical pharmacist specialist in pediatric infectious diseases, pediatrics, infectious diseases, and/or antimicrobial stewardship is preferred.

Mission Statement
The University of Michigan Health System improves the health of patients, populations and communities through excellence in education, patient care, community service, research and technology development, and through leadership activities in Michigan, nationally and internationally. Our mission is guided by our Strategic Principles and has three critical components: patient care, education and research that together enhance our contribution to society.

Application Deadline
Although the Posting End Date may indicate otherwise, this job may be filled and closed anytime after a posting duration of seven calendar days.

U-M EEO/AA Statement
The University of Michigan is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

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