

Spectrum Health Pharmacy Residents 2021-2022



**Krestina (Tina)
Bednarz, PharmD
(PGY1)**



Staffing: Butterworth (inpatient)

Where I call home: Kalamazoo, MI

Pharmacy school: University of Michigan

Clinical interests: women's health/OBGYN, adult internal medicine, managed care, medication use policy

A bit about me: I am a Michigander through and through - growing up in Kalamazoo, receiving my BS in Biochemistry at Central Michigan and earning my PharmD at the University of Michigan. It is great to be back in West Michigan to begin my career at Spectrum Health! I really hope to take this year to further develop my clinical knowledge, mentor the next generation of pharmacists, and continue to advocate for the profession. I am also extremely passionate about women's health and ensuring a pharmacist's presence in this area of healthcare. Outside of the pharmacy world, I enjoy a variety of activities which include listening to music and podcasts, bingeing television shows with my best friend, cooking, baking, and crocheting blankets and scarves. Most of all, I love getting to play and cuddle with my cat, Lou.

**Ashley Blanchette,
PharmD (PGY2
Ambulatory Care
Pharmacy)**



Staffing: Medical Group

Where I call home: Royal Oak, MI

PGY1 Residency: Spectrum Health

Clinical interests: administration, ambulatory care

A bit about me: I enjoy attending meetings, reviewing upcoming legislation, and advocating for the profession at local and state levels. Clinically, I feel most satisfied when longitudinally managing chronic diseases, educating patients, and engaging in good-old literature searches and topic discussions. I tend to drop everything at the sight of a dog and love spending time with my fur-nephews and niece (and family, of course). I love to bike ride, hammock, and enjoy a craft beer with friends. I also bake frequently and have recently gotten into making my own pasta.

**Skye Castaneda,
PharmD (PGY1)**



Staffing: Butterworth (inpatient)

Where I call home: Bridgeview, IL

Pharmacy school: Purdue University

Clinical interests: solid organ transplant, ambulatory care, academia

A bit about me: I grew up in the southwest suburbs of Chicago and moved to Indiana for pharmacy school. In my free time, I enjoy visiting new restaurants, breweries, and anywhere with dessert. Other hobbies include playing with my fur sister, Kona, watching and playing sports, baking, and falling asleep to the same episode of whatever series I'm watching at the time. I love that the pharmacy profession provides me opportunities to work with patients and providers longitudinally, while also being able to serve as a mentor for future generations of pharmacists. I look forward to the continued growth and knowledge that I will gain as a member of the Spectrum Health team this year!

Kamah Ellena, PharmD (PGY2 Critical Care Pharmacy)



Staffing: Butterworth (ICU)

Where I call home: Gladwin, MI

PGY1 Residency: Mercy Health Saint Mary's

Clinical Interests: emergency medicine, toxicology, medical ICU

A bit about me: I am extremely excited to pursue a PGY-2 at Spectrum Health. I am looking forward to growing my clinical skills and building relationships with a new healthcare team. Outside of pharmacy, I love to spend time at the beach, cook new recipes, and hunt for antiques to add to my pharmacy collection.

Hannah Hammoud, PharmD (PGY1)



Staffing: HDVCH

Where I call home: Northville, MI

Pharmacy school: University of Michigan

Clinical interests: pediatrics

A bit about me: I received both of my degrees from the University of Michigan. From the start of college, I knew I was passionate about working with the pediatric population and was lucky enough to have many valued experiences at C.S Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor. I'm beyond excited to expand my clinical knowledge this year and train at another large institution that I've heard so many great things about! My goal is to obtain a PGY2 residency in pediatrics and eventually a specialist role. In my free time, I enjoy being outdoors by the water with my husband and dog, spending time with friends, watching Disney movies, and traveling. I'm looking forward to working alongside the Spectrum Health team this year and experiencing the West side of the state!

Darren Jacks, PharmD (PGY2 Pharmacy Administration)



Staffing: Butterworth (inpatient)

Where I call home: Grand Rapids, MI

Pharmacy school: Ferris State University

PGY1 Residency: Mercy Health Muskegon

Interests: Clinical pharmacy services (MTM, investigational drug services, transitions of care, infusion), chronic disease state management, hematology/oncology

A bit about me: I was a SHAPPE student in 2019-20, and I am excited to be returning to Spectrum Health for the new PGY2 in Health System Administration and Leadership. After splitting time in both the inpatient and ambulatory settings throughout the last few years, I look forward to expanding my clinical and leadership skills through the wide variety of settings and rotational experiences provided through this PGY2 opportunity. In my free time, I enjoy exercising, golfing, skiing, and spending time with my family and friends.

Renee McTee, PharmD (PGY1)



Staffing: Butterworth (inpatient)

Where I call home: Shorewood, IL

Pharmacy school: Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

Clinical interests: internal medicine, infectious diseases

A bit about me: After completing my education in the St. Louis area, I am thrilled to be moving to Michigan to continue my pharmacy journey as a PGY1 resident. I plan to pursue a PGY2 residency in either internal medicine or infectious diseases and accept a clinical pharmacist role thereafter. In my free time, I enjoy going on hikes with my friends, seeing live music, or cozying up with my latest TV show obsession! I am very excited to be starting this new chapter at Spectrum Health!

**Matthew Naden,
PharmD (PGY2
Pediatric Pharmacy)**



Staffing: HDVCH

Where I call home: Romeo, MI

PGY1 Residency: Spectrum Health

Clinical interests: pediatrics (critical care, internal medicine, and infectious diseases)

A bit about me: A Michigander at heart, I obtained my BS in Allied Health at Grand Valley State University before completing my PharmD at Ferris State University. I've learned a lot here at Spectrum Health since joining the system 8 years ago and am extremely excited to be continuing my career here as the PGY2 pediatric pharmacy resident! In my free time, you can find me at any one of the amazing restaurants or breweries within the area. Additionally, I enjoy watching sports, playing hockey or pickleball, snowboarding, and spending time with my friends and family. I love Grand Rapids and am excited to spend another year serving its community while developing my skills as a pediatric pharmacist!

**Whitney Templeton,
PharmD (PGY1)**



Staffing: Blodgett

Where I call home: Canton, MI

Pharmacy school: Ferris State University

Clinical interests: infectious disease, transplant, oncology

A bit about me: I worked in Butterworth's inpatient pharmacy while in school and I am excited to continue working with Spectrum! I am looking forward to learning from everyone while becoming the best clinical pharmacist I can be. I enjoy running, going to the beach, or doing anything active outdoors. I also love to read and appreciate any good book recommendations!

Megan Van Baren, PharmD (PGY1)



Staffing: Butterworth (inpatient)

Where I call home: Hudsonville, MI

Pharmacy school: Ferris State University

Clinical interests: pediatrics, ambulatory care

A bit about me: I am from West Michigan and am excited to continue to develop my clinical skills at Spectrum Health. Outside of pharmacy, I enjoy traveling, spending time with my family and friends, spending time at the beach, hiking, and baking. I'm looking forward to working with you all this upcoming year!