

# THE RESIDENT

The official newsletter of the UIW Feik School of Pharmacy Residency Program



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## Welcome back!

by Dr. Amanda Kitten, PharmD, MSc, BCPS, Residency Director

Hello everyone, and happy August! What a year this has been! Our residency program had another incredible year thanks to our RAC and residents. We finally got to say goodbye to the pandemic, and all four residents were able to attend their first ever in-person Midyear meeting in Las Vegas.

Our PGY2 residents are finishing out their residencies with great success. They both have jobs lined up as clinical pharmacists. Sarah will be in Dallas at Arlington Memorial Hospital, while Harneal has been hired on at University Health in San Antonio. Both Sarah and Harneal have grown so much over the last two years. I am so impressed with how well they implemented feedback and led their PGY1 peers.

We also had some exciting additions to our RAC. Dr. Sarah Berman joined us and is helping coordinate staffing. Dr. Briana Williams has also joined and is serving as Residency Program Coordinator! Both of them have already been AMAZING additions to our program.

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I've had a lot of change in my personal life as well. In April, my husband and I welcomed our first child, Madeline, into the world. She has stolen our hearts and all of our sleep. We are very in love with her. While I've been on maternity leave, the members of the RAC have done an extraordinary job covering my responsibilities of RPD. I have such great respect and appreciation for all of our RAC members. I feel so lucky to have such a talented team who not only train amazing residents but also support me as I take time away from work.

I'd like to conclude by thanking you all for contributing to our program, whether you are a preceptor, a RAC member, a graduate, or a current resident, you make my job one thousand times better by showcasing the quality of the UIW Residency Program. Your hard work is much appreciated. Thank you! -Amanda



## Alumni Residents News and More



### Braden Adamson, PharmD (2013-2015)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Associate Professor at Roseman University

**Professional accomplishment this past year:**

Coordinated a new course that I helped to create/organize. The course is based upon an elective that I took as a student that helped propel my own career.

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Teaching my 5 children how to snow ski.

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:** One witticism I learned during my residency was that a pineapple strapped to one's head will become too heavy and hurt the neck muscles after about 5-8 minutes.



### Tina Beck, PharmD, MSCR, BCPS (2012-2014)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Associate Professor and CPE Administrator at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment this past year:** Presented podium presentation at Midyear

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Started to exercise with a personal trainer





Taylor and family: Wife Mia, daughter Eloise (Ella), and sons Luke & Marshall

**Taylor Benavides, PharmD, BCPS (2019-2021)**

**Current job title and name of employer:** Assistant Professor in the Department of Pharmacotherapy at UNTHSC College of Pharmacy

**One professional accomplishment this past year:** Directed a pharmacotherapy course (Cardiorenal II) without a co-director

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:** Marshall "graduated" kindergarten!

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:** I have more than just one that I still use, and use/teach often!

1. *No matter how high a patient's BG readings were, if they experienced lows then decrease their insulin dose - Kim*
2. *Don't go down rabbit holes in the AM; do more thorough look ups after rounds - Jenna*
3. *If possible, turn words into charts, and charts into graphs - Becca*
4. *You don't need to have complete sentences in presentations, and don't need to capitalize every word - Kathleen*
5. *Your goal with wording your recommendations should be to make the attending/resident/intern think they came up with it - Rebecca Moote*



Eloise, 3; Luke, 19 months; Marshall, 6

**Rebekah Benitez, PharmD (2016 -2018)**

**Current job title and name of employer:** Assistant Professor and APC Lab Coordinator at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment this past year:** Awarded the 2023 UIW Provost's Legacy in Teaching Award

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:** Currently expecting a baby girl due in July. Christian is very excited to meet his baby sister!

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:** Still using the time management skills learned in residency.



Rebekah's son Christian, 3



Mittens



Everest

### Emily Brysch, PharmD, BCPS (2015-2017)

#### Current job title and name of employer:

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist with South Texas Veteran's Healthcare System

#### One professional accomplishment this past year:

I presented a poster at the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists Annual Meeting with Dr Kim Cauthon. We will also be working on writing up two different case reports (eventually).

#### One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:

We added a cat and a human to our family! Mittens, our ragdoll, was born 10/28/22, and our son Dawson, was born on 5/7/23. We are also building our dream home. It has been a process (I think I mentioned it in the last few newsletters). We were able to design it and now it is being built. We are excited to move in!

#### One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:

Dr. Kim Cauthon warned me not to wear dresses with the veterans. Haha but seriously.

I think the biggest takeaway I can think of with a newborn brain, is my interview style. While on rotations, I learned how to multitask and truly look at and engage with patients while interviewing. So many times, my patients comment on this. Too many providers just stare at a computer rather than engage with their patients. It means more than we realize.



### Nicole Farrell, PharmD, BCPS (2010 -2012)

#### Current job title and name of employer:

Ambulatory Care Pharmacist at University Health

#### Personal/Professional accomplishment from this past year:

Balancing work/life in general

#### One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:

I do recall from residency being given the guidance to always do your due diligence and thoughtfully question everything you are presented with (including from mentors)... double check, over verify and get second opinions. That has served me well in practice and in life.





*Co-residents & lifelong friends: Shelley with Emily Brysch in Colorado*

### **Shelley Glaess, PharmD, BCPS (2015-2017)**

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Inpatient Clinical Pharmacist, UCHealth Memorial Hospital, Colorado Springs, CO

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

I took a break in the Fall to welcome a baby boy, Samuel Tonder, and the spring semester has been picking back up things at work. I precepted an Internal Medicine elective for our PGY1s and am working on a case report with colleagues.

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Raising a son while living through a kitchen remodel and keeping my sanity. And my garden looks really good this year!

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

Hard work beats innate ability (thank you Russell!). I tell my residents this when I work with them. I found this phrase written on a sticky note on the current PGY2s desk as motivation. It was something she had held onto from last year when we worked together and now she's completing the Critical Care program and doing great things.



*Shelley's son, Samuel Tonder*



*Abby and her fiancée, Oscar*

### **Abby Hulsizer, PharmD, BCPS (2018-2020)**

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Assistant Professor of Pharmacotherapy at UNTHSC College of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishments this past year:**

Became Vice-Chair of the Co-Curricular Committee and Director of our PILL Mentorship Program (Partners in Learning and Leading)

Did my first critique for Resident Clinical Controversies

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

GOT ENGAGED!

**Item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticisms that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

Write it down! If it isn't written down or on my Outlook calendar it doesn't exist. I run my pre-rounds in a similar style as Kathleen

Taylor and I channeled Kim on our rotation and have implemented a pre- and post-test! Lol!

**Merlyn Joseph, PharmD (2012-2014)****Current job title and name of employer:**

Clinical Assistant Professor at Texas A&M University

**Professional accomplishment this past year:**

Don't know if it's too early to say, I'll be promoted to Clinical Associate Professor in September!

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Recently, I went snorkeling in Hawaii's Hanauma Bay. Amazing to see so many beautiful fish among coral! Most amazing experience ever!

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

The amazing preceptors at UIW taught me how to approach any problem/question that I might encounter. I continually teach my pharmacy students that learning how to think is more important than simply memorizing information!



*Brittany with husband, Clifton and her step-daughter on their wedding day*

**Brittany La-Viola, PharmD (2017 -2019)**

Hello everyone! I can't believe it is time for another residency newsletter! Things on the east coast are great. I just celebrated my 2-year anniversary in my current position with Tidal Health Nanticoke in Delaware! It has been a great two years and we are continuing to expand pharmacy services including pharmacists attending codes, which is something that was not previously common practice here. Our next goal is fine tuning our antimicrobial stewardship program.

When I am not working at the hospital or teaching as an adjunct faculty member at the pharmacy school here on the Eastern Shore, I have my hands full with our mini zoo and my 6 almost 7 year old step daughter at home! We also welcomed our first nephew on my side at the beginning of June!



### Raymond Mattes, PharmD (2018 -2020)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Primary Care at North West San Antonio VA clinic

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

First time serving as a mentor for VA PGY 1 resident's quality improvement project on a comparison of different VEGF inhibitors for diabetic macular edema, it was a great experience and I plan to continue serving as a mentor for these kind of projects!

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

First time purchasing a car! Probably not the best time to do so but I felt it was needed so I replaced my old vehicle I had all through college and residency.

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

I noticed while I was on rotation with Dr. Witte for Primary Care, that at the end of appointments she would always ask what refills the patient needed for their medications. I have done the same since then, which has been excellent to keep my patients adherent but also familiar with the names of their medications and how much they have at home.

### Hansita Patel, PharmD, BCACP (2013-2015)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist – Pulmonary Specialty Care; University Health

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

Established two new clinical pharmacy service lines at UH – Severe Asthma and PH

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

I finally learned to garden; and managed to not kill my plants this year (I am not saying they are thriving, but I do finally understand why people love it and maybe by next year I'll officially have a green thumb!)

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

There are so many and I am so grateful for many of the insights from all my preceptors! This year, I want to give a shout out to Becca who really helped me cultivate stronger interpersonal and time management skills. Thanks for introducing me to the book - "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" Both your wisdom and this book really helped me better manage my time by helping me learn the art of prioritizing what is urgent/important and become a more well-rounded person overall. Thank you!





**Ryan Popp, PharmD, BCACP (2017 -2019)****Current job title and name of employer:**

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Ambulatory Care at Harris Health System

**Professional accomplishments this past year:**

I won Preceptor of the Year from the residency programs for the 2022-2023. I also just accepted an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice Position at UT Austin College of Pharmacy - I will be serving as the Ambulatory/Community Regional Coordinator for Houston region.

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Mariana and I recently welcomed our second son Mark in November! Gabriel is 2.5 years old and his favorite activities are puzzles and baking cookies.



*Ryan & Mariana with their sons  
Mark, 8 months and Gabriel, 2 1/2 years*



*Alireza and his daughter Allison, 6 months*

**Alireza FakhriRavari, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP, AAHIVP (2014-2016)****Current job title and name of employer:**

Director of Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences and Clinical Associate Professor at Loma Linda University School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment this past year:**

"International consensus recommendations for the use of prolonged-infusion beta-lactams" will be published in the Pharmacotherapy journal later this year.

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

The birth of our daughter, Allison, in January of 2023 was joyous and life-changing! This new chapter has brought immeasurable happiness and fulfillment, underscoring the importance of balancing personal and professional achievements.

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

One particular skill that I've honed over the years, stemming from my residency experience, is the art of delivering constructive and positive feedback to learners with insightful guidance and encouragement. I will continue to dedicate significant efforts towards this essential aspect of mentorship.



Jenn and her husband, Nico on their wedding day

**Jennifer Rivas, PharmD (2019-2021)**

**Current job title and name of employer:**  
Ambulatory Clinical Pharmacy Specialist- Cardiology with University Health

**One professional accomplishment this past year:** Preceptor for a PGY2 resident rounds presentation titled The Missing Golden Ticket? Thiazides for hypertension in chronic kidney disease

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**  
Got married 11/12/22

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**  
Skill: self-reflection and growth mindset. If you self-reflect on the experience and point out what you learned from it, you will do better next time.



**Jenna Snoga, PharmD (2016-2018)**

**Current job title and name of employer:**  
Clinical pharmacy specialist- VA

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**  
Transitioned to full time clinical practitioner

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:** Raising two beautiful girls (Kyndal and Kenslee)

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**  
“Cannot see the forest for the trees”--- focus on the big picture first and then the details







### Haley Tierce, PharmD (2020-2022)

As one of the newest graduates of the UIW pharmacotherapy residency program, I can say this year has flown by! I am currently a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Hospital Medicine at MD Anderson Cancer Center. While the humidity is certainly a challenge, I feel my residency experiences prepared me well for my position in Houston. I am proud to report that I presented at the Cardio-Oncology Multi-Disciplinary Practice Conference at MD Anderson earlier this year about the cardiotoxicity of various anti-cancer agents.



*The handsome Benny!*

Outside of work, I enjoy hanging out with my cat (Benny), exploring new restaurants, and traveling. My most recent trip was to Chicago where I saw The Bean, went on a river architecture tour, and ate deep dish pizza. I still make time to go back to San Antonio to visit. I was lucky enough to see all of my friends from residency when I attended Sarah's excellent Clinical Controversies presentation in the Fall. I hope everyone is doing well and I can't wait to visit again soon!

### Blake Wassom, PharmD (2020-2022)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, Ambulatory Care, University Health

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

I am currently leading a project to develop a smoking cessation program at my institution. I also plan to begin precepting this next year.

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

I completed my first half marathon this past May and look forward to racing again in December!



### Ashley Zurek, PharmD, BCGP (2014-2016)

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Heart Failure Clinical Pharmacist at VA Audie Murphy Hospital

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

Help initiate a diuretic clinic to reduce acute decompensated heart failure hospitalizations

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Accepted a cat into our house

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

Treating patients with respect and giving them the care I'd want my own family member to receive; I always make sure to thank my veteran patients for their service to our country, which I learned from one of my UIW preceptors



## Former Residency Program Directors



### Rebecca Attridge, PharmD, MSc, BCPS, BCCCP

Greetings from Colorado! I hope you all had another wonderful residency year. From everything I hear, our FSOP residency program continues to blossom, training outstanding clinician educators. It's been a pleasure to attend the Controversies in Clinical Therapeutics seminars and work with Harneal and his research team on his project. I appreciate these opportunities to stay in touch! One of my favorite times from the last year was seeing many of you at ASHP Midyear in Las Vegas. It was so fun to catch up and hear the stories from the last year!

The Attridge crew continues to do well. Henry completed kindergarten this year and loved it. Amelia loves dance and science at her pre-school. They have really enjoyed the snow and are looking forward to skiing lessons this winter. We wish you all well!

### Cheryl Horlen, PharmD, BCPS

#### Current job title and name of employer:

Assistant Dean and Chair of Pharmacy Practice at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

#### One professional accomplishment this past year:

I completed all of the requirements to recertify for BCPS.

#### One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:

I had a goal of completing a 10K in 2022 and met my goal over Thanksgiving! I took some time off after that and then restarted my training plan to run another 10K later this year.

#### One item, skill, clinical pearl, witticism, or favorite memory from this past year:

One of my favorite quotes is from Dolly Parton – “Never get so busy making a living that you forget to make a life.” Take some time for yourself and those important to you.



*Cheryl with her family: Husband John, daughter Alex, and son Issac*

## Residency Preceptors



### Tina Beck, PharmD, MSCR, BCPS

#### Professional accomplishment this past year:

Manuscript published (as a collaboration project) related to internal medicine residency

#### Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:

Going to Australia in June 2023 without the kids and husband

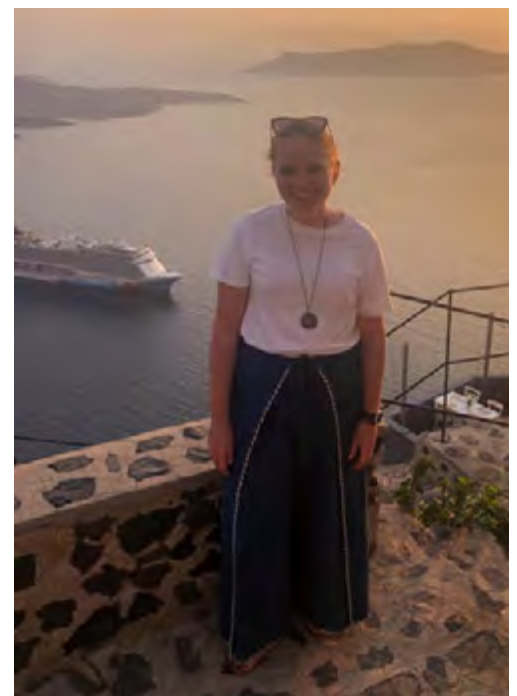
### Sarah Berman, PharmD, BCCCP

**Current job title and employment location:** Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice, Critical Care at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment:** I earned my Board Certification in Critical Care Pharmacy (BCCCP) in November of 2022.

**Personal accomplishment/significant event:** This year I had the opportunity to attend the UIW Study Abroad trip with FSOP and the School of Nursing to Turkey and Greece along with 48 other attendees. We had so many incredible experiences, including visiting a nursing school and a pharmacy school in Turkey. We saw many historical sites including Troy, Hierapolis, Asclepion, and Ephesus. Building new and stronger relationships with the students was by far the best part of the trip.

**Favorite memory:** I enjoyed making blankets for the animal shelter with all of the residents in December!



*Sarah in Greece for Study Abroad May 2023*



*Visiting the Ankara School of Pharmacy*







**Heather Payton Blacksmith, PharmD, BCPS, BCGP**

**Current job title and employment location:**

Geriatrics Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner at South Texas Veterans Health Care System

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

New Program Director for PGY2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency Program

**Kimberly Cauthon, PharmD, BCGP, BC-ADM**

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Professor of Pharmacy Practice, University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment this past year:**

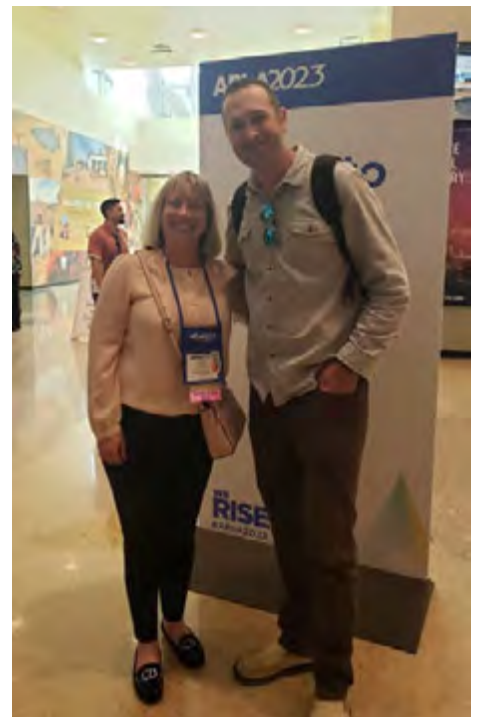
My VA practice site has changed. The Frank Tejada VA clinic has closed its doors forever and a brand new, beautiful clinic on State Highway 151 has opened. It is called the North West San Antonio VA clinic. Please come and visit; you will be amazed at the difference

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

Each resident has helped me learned something new and made me a better practitioner and preceptor.



*L-R: Kim, Helen Smith & Bradi Frei with an alpaca friend at FSOP's Petting Zoo Event - April 2023*



*Enjoying APhA's Annual Meeting & Expo with Resident Alumni Braden Adamson in Phoenix, AZ - March 2023*





*Christine's son Aiden, 9 months*

**Christine Lam, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP, CDCES, BCGP**

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Assistant Professor of Pharmacy Practice at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**One professional accomplishment this year:**

Dr. Sarah Edwards and I had a paper published in *The Senior Care Pharmacist*. The title of the manuscript is "Evaluation of the Safety and Tolerability of Sodium-Glucose Co-Transporter 2 Inhibitors in the Older Population: A Systematic Review."

**One personal accomplishment this past year:**

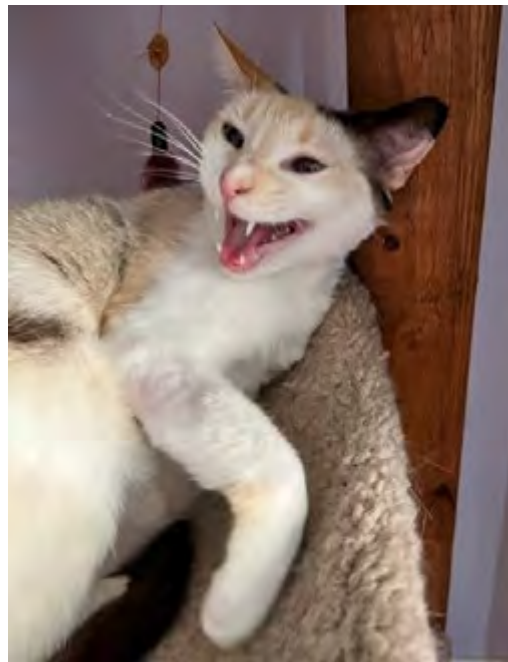
I have a new love of my life, my son, Aiden.

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism that you learned during residency that you are still utilizing:**

Passing on the wisdom from my RPD – Don't be good at everything, or you will end up with more work.

**Ms. Aubrey Levy**

Ms. Levy is not a preceptor, but instead Secretary to the Department of Pharmacy Practice. She is invaluable to the residency program and of great support to our current residents. She continues to be a kindred spirit to our residency alumni because she also has a love of cats *and* adopting them. Miss Rusty (right) joined her family in December 2022 after a frightening experience with a pair of dogs.





*Kathleen with her husband, Justin and daughter McKenna, 5*

### **Kathleen Lusk, PharmD, BCPS, BCCP**

**One professional accomplishment this past year:** I earned promotion to Full Professor at UIW!

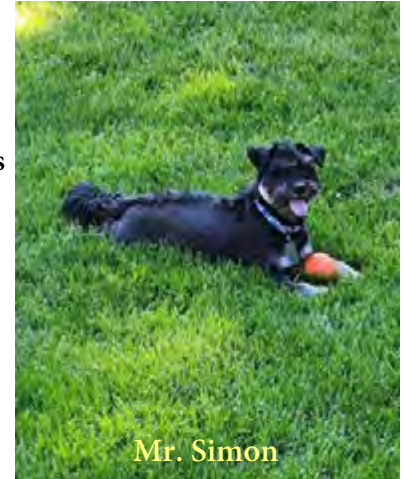
**Personal accomplishments and significant events this past year:** McKenna just turned 5! She is growing up too quickly and regularly reminds me that she is a big girl. She loves superheroes (especially AntMan), princesses, unicorns, and reading. She will start kindergarten this Fall!

Mr. Simon is 10ish! He is still spunky and has gotten to be more demanding in his older age. He gets away with just about everything because I cannot say no to those eyebrows.

Justin and I went to Europe this year and loved it tremendously! We cannot wait to go back! We have a family vacation to the Northeast and Canada planned this Fall. Sometimes I think the Air Force has forgotten where we live. No complaints here. We shall see where they send us next.

I'm still working in the CCU at University Health and at the MARC Cardiology clinic. I still enjoy the crazy world of cardiology.

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, witticism, or favorite memory from the residency this past year:** I have loved watching our residents overcome challenges and grow! I am so proud of each of them!



### **Briana Williams, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP**

**Current job title and name of employer:**

Assistant Professor at University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

**Professional accomplishment this past year:**

Successfully made it through my first year of student precepting and took my first ever resident on rotation (thanks Dr. Edwards for being such a great first resident!)

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

This past winter I attended a Broncos vs Chiefs football game with my sister for the first time ever. My sister was adopted soon after being born and I met her for the first time a few years ago. She was raised in Kansas, and I was raised in Colorado. As such, she is a huge Chiefs fan, and I am a huge Broncos fan. After meeting, we decided that it should be a priority to attend a rival football game together. We checked that off our list this year and plan to make it an annual tradition!

**One item, skill, clinical pearl, witticism, or favorite memory from the residency this past year:**

I really loved seeing all the residents present their research at ALCALDE this year. So much work went into their projects, and I was honored to have the opportunity to see them present their research! We all know what a "dinosaur" of a task it is to get through such a monumental project.



*New traditions: Briana and her sister at their first annual rival football game*

## Outgoing Residents



### Harneal Diocee, PharmD (2021-2023)

**New job out of residency with job title and employer name:** Inpatient pharmacist at University Health here in San Antonio

**Professional accomplishment from this past year:**

Professional accomplishment: successful completion of C. difficile infection and traveler's diarrhea lecture for the P3 students

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Lost 35 pounds!

**Favorite memory, item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism from residency this past year:**

Comfortable in inpatient emergency situations



*Enie Meanie*

### Sarah Edwards, PharmD (2021-2023)

**New job out of residency with job title and employer name:**

Clinical Pharmacist at Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital

**Professional accomplishment from this past year:**

Won second place for an abstract presentation on my research at Cardiorenal Connections.

**Personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Adopted both a pet dog (German shepherd/husky mix, named Luna) and a cat (tabby with some orange, named Enie Meanie)! The hedgehogs are indifferent, but the cat and dog are bewildered by their spikey brothers.

**Favorite memory, item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism from residency this past year:**

In the CCU, a medical resident had stated "I didn't see anything on this EKG", and then the attending retorted "Well if you didn't see anything, then you must have had your eyes closed." This most unforgettable roast that made my whole year!



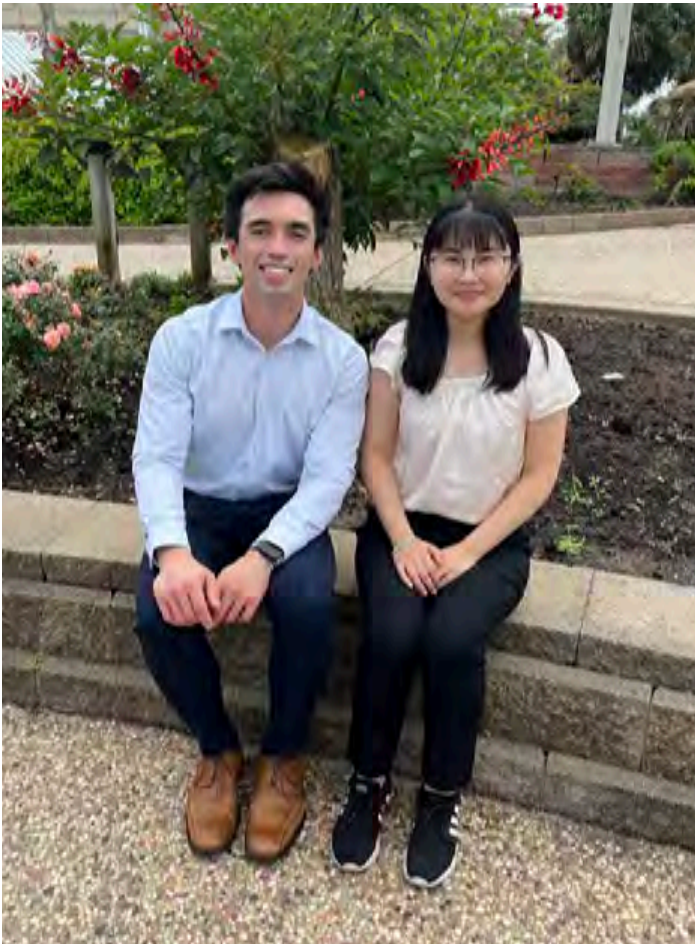
*Luna*



*Dr. Edwards presenting at Cardiorenal Connections - April 2023*



## Current Residents



*Markus and Jaycie at ALCALDE May 2023*

### Dr. Markus Reedy, PharmD (2022-2024)

**One professional accomplishment from this past year:** Looking back, giving my first CE presentation over the use of thrombolytics for ischemic stroke in patients taking DOACs was a huge accomplishment for me, shout out to my mentor Tina Beck and critiquer Abby Hulsizer! However, my biggest accomplishment had to be surviving my first year of staffing. Those ICU floors were so unkind to me during my first shift, I never thought I would be the same.

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Got to attend the first two shows of Taylor Swift's The Eras Tour after fighting millions for tickets (accomplishment of a lifetime)!

**One favorite memory, item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism from residency this past year:**

My favorite memory/skill I learned this year had to be the knowledge I gained from spending a month in the emergency room. Responding to codes/traumas and anticipating what medications to pull based on a patient's story is something I will never forget, and I look forward to more rotations in the ED.

### Dr. Jaycie Truong, PharmD (2022-2024)

**One professional accomplishment this past year:**

Successfully presenting my research (background and methods) at ALCALDE.

**One personal accomplishment or significant event this past year:**

Gaining more confidence as a provider!

**One favorite memory, item, skill, clinical pearl, or witticism from residency this past year:** Too many to choose from! It's been a lot of fun hanging out with co-residents and RAC members at socials.

# Incoming Residents



## Dr. Jerrica Lilley, PharmD (2023-2025)

### Doctor of Pharmacy:

University of the Incarnate Word Feik School of Pharmacy

### Why I chose this residency:

I wanted a residency program that would allow me to gain experience in different areas of pharmacy, provide challenging rotations, and give me the opportunity to interact with patients from all different backgrounds. UIW offers this because the residents have rotation opportunities with several different healthcare systems and outstanding preceptors. This two-year program will also allow me to perform comprehensive research, present CE's, teach lectures, and challenge myself. I spent four years as a student at Feik where I received amazing support, feedback, guidance, and mentorship. I am beyond excited to have the opportunity to participate in the Pharmacotherapy Residency at Feik!

## Dr. Sara Stashluk, PharmD (2023-2025)

### Doctor of Pharmacy:

University of Houston College of Pharmacy

### Why I chose this residency:

I chose the UIW Pharmacotherapy Residency because of the strong emphasis on both clinical pharmacy and academia. The program offers diverse rotation opportunities, and the two-year length is an excellent opportunity to focus on specific areas of interest, and the teaching experiences and certificate offered will prepare me to give back to the next generation of pharmacists. My experiences with the faculty have been warm, welcoming, and encouraging and I am looking forward to the next two years learning and growing from this program.





# Recent events



**Blankets for Animals - December 2022**

Animal shelters can always use supplies, especially warm blankies given with love. Our residents, with help from faculty, got together to make a few "no-sew" blankets for the Animal Defense League of San Antonio. Way to go!



**ALCALDE - April 2023**

Enjoying the sights and spending time together at the Moody Gardens Convention Center in Galveston.





### Residency Graduation

PGY-2 residents, Harneal and Sarah receiving their certificates of completion on June 2, 2023



Dr. Lila LaGrange accepting a certificate of appreciation for her hard work and dedication as the Teaching Certificate Program Co-Director from 2021-2023. Thank you, Dr. LaGrange!!

### Graduation Celebration

Incoming PGY-1 resident, Jerrica joined the crew for an afternoon of fun times and a little light-hearted competition at Bowl and Barrel.





# Preceptor of the Year Awards



2023

Kathleen Lusk and Elijah Martin

2022

Tina Beck and Jasmin Badwal

2021

Amanda Kitten and Rebecca Moote

2020

Jenna Snoga and Heather Blacksmith

2019

Kimberly Cauthon and Sharon Jung Tshirhart



## Dr. Elijah Martin, PharmD Preceptor of the Year 2023

My name is Elijah Martin and I am one of the Internal Medicine pharmacists at University Health. I'm originally from the small town of Stephenville, TX. I went to UT Austin for pharmacy school and completed my PGY1 and Internal Medicine PGY2 residency training at the University of Arizona/Banner University Medical Center Tucson.

I have always loved teaching and have been fortunate enough to precept multiple pharmacy students and residents in my current position. It has been an absolute pleasure to precept UIW pharmacotherapy residents, who have always been hardworking and eager to learn. It has been wonderful to see the growth and progression of the UIW residents throughout their rotations and I look forward to working with more UIW residents in the future!

## A message from the Dean



Graduates of the FSOP Residency Program,

We are very proud of you for working in your chosen field. I hope that you are finding your career to be exciting, and your training making it a smooth transition. Even though you are not graduates of the PharmD program and some of you are, you are still alumni of the Feik School of Pharmacy. We want to hear from you. We also hope to be able to catch up if you can visit the school or at a meeting. It is so rewarding for us to brag about your accomplishments. We hope that you will take the opportunity to give back by precepting our students and residents.

We were proud to graduate 84 students this year. We hope they do well on the NAPLEX. We will start the coming year with 85 students in the Fall. This is an increase in students from the previous year. Hopefully, the upward enrollment trend will continue.

Our P4 students did great with residency acceptances. We had 32 students pursue residencies with a 85.2% acceptance rate. This was our highest ever! We are very proud of them. I want to thank the Residency Acceptance Committee and the residency elective for helping candidates achieve a successful match.

We look forward to having two new residents and Dr. Amanda Kitten as the Residency Program Director. Good luck to all of them.

Please keep in touch.  
Praised be the Incarnate Word,  
Dr. David Maize



Do you have exciting news to share? We want to hear from you! Submit your pictures, news and updates to Dr. Kim Cauthon at: [cauthon@uiwtx.edu](mailto:cauthon@uiwtx.edu).

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