

Spotlight Message

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Specialty

- Drug Information Specialist, University of Kansas Drug Information Center
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ROLE

- University of Kansas Drug Information Center
 - Provider of drug information to health care providers, patients, and contracted organizations
 - Preceptor for mandatory Drug Information experiential rotation for University of Kansas PharmD students including supervision, management, and direction of 8 to 10 PharmD students per month
 - Lecturer in Pharmaceutical Care Fundamentals and Drug Information courses
- University of Kansas Hospital
 - Maintenance of the online formulary for the University of Kansas Hospital
 - Participation in Medication Safety Subcommittee at the University of Kansas Hospital
- Misc
 - Assistant Editor, Clin-Alert: Reporting on Adverse Clinical Events. Sage Publications
 - Reviewer, Hospital Pharmacy. Facts and Comparisons

How They Got There

Prior to pharmacy school, growing up as a child, I dreamed of being a teacher. I left this dream behind when I went to college and decided to pursue a healthcare profession. I thought, as a naïve 18-year-old, that a scientific background would challenge me more than an education background but throughout pharmacy school, I quickly discovered the opportunities of teaching within the profession and was determined to connect my two passions.

I chose a residency program in drug information at the University of Kansas Hospital for several reasons. I had several great experiences within the field during school and realized drug information provided a pathway to package information available to help others, both clinicians and patients. I was also highly influenced by the residency and Drug Information Center director, Joyce Generali. She was [is] a nationally known pharmacist and has the passion for drug information that I desired.

After my residency, I knew I wanted to work with students and took a faculty position at the University of Kansas.

Other Professional Activities

- Program Director, Greater Kansas City Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists
- ASHP New Practitioner Forum - Profession Practice Advisory Group
- American College of Clinical Pharmacists – Drug Information Network
- Journal Reviewer: American Journal of Health-Systems Pharmacy & Annals of Pharmacotherapy

- Relief Pharmacist for Target

Advanced Training

- PGY2 Drug Information at the University of Kansas Hospital

Advice

- You have 2 ears & 1 mouth – Listen twice as much as you speak.