

## Sioux Falls VA Health Care System PGY-1 Pharmacy Residents 2011-2012



### **Tarryn Jansen, Pharm.D.**

Tarryn graduated from South Dakota State University in May 2011 with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree. As a student, she was an active member of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of Student Pharmacists and Rho Chi Honor Society. She also enjoyed participating in intramural volleyball and basketball. Outside of her activities at SDSU, she interned at her hometown pharmacy, Sterling Drug, throughout her academic career.

Today, Tarryn is a PGY-1 pharmacy resident at the Sioux Falls VA Health Care System. During her residency she will gain experience in ambulatory care, geriatrics, inpatient care, and mental health. Her residency also gives her the opportunity to assist in the education of SDSU pharmacy students both in the classroom and on rotation. Ambulatory care is her primary focus. She works with Veterans and their providers to optimize their pharmaceutical care and to manage their chronic disease states including hypertension, dyslipidemia, diabetes, thyroid disorders, erectile dysfunction, and anticoagulation. After completing her residency, she hopes to continue working for the Department of Veterans Affairs in the ambulatory care setting as a clinical pharmacist. She has a passion for teaching and enjoys working with patients one-on-one and helping them get the greatest benefit from their medication therapy.

### **Suzy Puetz, Pharm.D.**

Suzy Puetz graduated with her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from South Dakota State University in May 2011. As a student, she was an active member of the American Pharmacists Association-Academy of

Student Pharmacists, Rho Chi Academic Honor Society, American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists, and served as a pharmacy ambassador to prospective pharmacy students. The highlight of her academic career was an advanced pharmacy practice experience in Europe where she had the opportunity to learn about international health care systems. Suzy also worked as a pharmacy intern at Hy-Vee pharmacy in Sioux Falls while in school.

As one of the residents at the Sioux Falls VA Health Care System, she works with Veterans in the primary care clinics, mental health services, inpatient services, and long-term care (CLC). As a resident, she is directly involved with making therapeutic decisions surrounding care. Her primary focus is the management of chronic disease states including hypertension, dyslipidemia, diabetes, thyroid disorders, and anticoagulation. She also participates in inpatient rounds, patient education groups, and is a preceptor for pharmacy students.

In her personal time, Suzy enjoys spending time with family and friends, running, traveling, shopping, and baking. In the future, Suzy hopes to continue working with Veterans in the ambulatory care setting as a VA clinical pharmacist working to prevent and improve management of chronic diseases.



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