Melissa Carrillo, PharmD  
Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe, Inc. (2015-16)

Education: UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program, UT Austin College of Pharmacy  
Practice Interests: Disease State Management, Ambulatory care, Diabetes, Anticoagulation, Hepatitis C, HIV/AIDS

“I sought this residency because of its commitment to provide holistic care to an underserved, predominantly Spanish-speaking population. This residency allows me to incorporate my passion for education into both patient care and precepting pharmacy students. Through this residency, I hope to enhance my clinical skills as well as empower my patients to take a more active role in their health.

Residency Project: EXPANSION (EXPanding services for Patients to Acquire skills, Set goals, & Improve Overall Knowledge) of Diabetes Education Services in US-Mexico Border Community

Samantha Marie Strong, PharmD  
Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe, Inc. (2014-15)

Education: Midwestern University-Chicago College of Pharmacy  
Practice Interests: HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, Diabetes, Ambulatory Care, Women’s Health

“What drew me to this residency program was the strong focus on ambulatory care and public health within a unique, underserved, predominantly Spanish-speaking patient population. Through this residency, I look forward to further developing my clinical skills in disease state management while focusing on the public health needs of the community.”

APhA Foundation Incentive Grant Award: Community-Based Pharmacy Team Collaboration to Increase Access to Diabetes Education in a Community Health Center on the U.S./Mexico Border

Jessica Gomez, PharmD  
Centro San Vicente (2013-14)

Education: UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program, UT Austin College of Pharmacy  
Practice Interests: Disease State Management, Ambulatory Care, HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, Anticoagulation, Diabetes

“This residency has exposed me to a variety of patient care settings and has strengthened my conviction for ambulatory care practice. At the clinic sites, I was able to work side-by-side with other healthcare providers, and truly felt like I was participating in a team to improve patient outcomes. I love the patient population we serve in El Paso, and I greatly appreciate the dedication that all of the residency preceptors bring forth.”
APhA Foundation Incentive Grant Award: Developing and Implementing an Interdisciplinary Transition of Care Program Utilizing Medication Therapy Management and the Patient-Centered Medical Home Model Along the U.S./Mexico Border
Grecia Heredia, PharmD
Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe, Inc. (2013-14)

**Education**: UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program, UT Austin College of Pharmacy

**Practice Interests**: Hepatitis C, HIV/AIDS, Diabetes, Disease State Management, Ambulatory Care, Public Health

“Through this residency, I have been given the opportunity to serve the community that I love and that I grew up in. La Fe clinic serves a predominantly Spanish-speaking, underserved patient population. La Fe’s holistic approach to health has changed the way I approach patient care. After residency, I plan to pursue a clinical pharmacist position in El Paso, Texas and serve the community that I love. I also plan on getting a master’s in public health degree to continue to advocate for patients in El Paso, Texas.”

**Residency Project**: Project **EMPOWER**: Education and Medication Adherence Counseling by the Pharmacy Team to Overcome Worsening Side Effects Related to Hepatitis C Medications

Valerie Valencia, PharmD
Centro San Vicente (2012-13)

**Education**: UTEP/UT Austin Cooperative Pharmacy Program, UT Austin College of Pharmacy

**Practice Interests**: Disease State Management, Ambulatory Care, HIV/AIDS

“Through this residency, I have been given the opportunity to be creative with my learning experiences to further advance my clinical skills in the management of diabetes, HIV/AIDS, anti-coagulation, etc. The cultural and beliefs of this community have broadened my horizons when providing care to a predominantly Spanish-speaking, unique patient population. Post-residency, I plan to pursue a clinical pharmacy position in El Paso, Texas and continue to advance the profession of pharmacy.”

**APhA Foundation Incentive Grant Award**: Project **DIS-IMPACT**: Drug Information in English and Spanish to Successfully Improve Medication Preparation and Appropriateness Prior to Colonoscopy Testing

Jackson Kelly, PharmD  
Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe, Inc. (2011-12)

**Education**: University of New Mexico  
**Practice Interests**: HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, Diabetes

“The decision to stay on as a pharmacist at my primary residency site has afforded me the opportunity to continue serving the unique needs of our patient population along the US-Mexico border. I plan on continuing to develop existing clinical pharmacy services as well as staying connected with our community as a staff pharmacist.”

**Residency Project**: Salud de la Sangre: A Community Pharmacy Anticoagulation Safety and Education Pilot Initiative in A Low-Income Spanish-Lange Dominant Us-Mexico Border Community

Maaya Srinivasa, PharmD  
Centro San Vicente (2011-12)

**Education**: Texas A&M Health Science Center  
**Practice Interests**: Disease State Management, Ambulatory Care, Lifestyle Modifications

“Through this residency, I have been able to gain experience in chronic disease state management while collaborating with other healthcare providers in the clinic. I appreciate having the opportunity to continue to work with a unique patient population and learn more about the US-Mexico border region and its healthcare needs.”