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Two of the nine 1965 appointments to hospital residencies under the Pharmacy Intern Program of the U. S. Public Health Service have been awarded to members of the Montana State University graduating class, according to Dean R. L. Van Horne of the School of Pharmacy. The one-year appointments are effective July 1.

The MSU recipients are Jerry Short and Mary Lou Pengelly. In announcing the latter's appointment, the dean commented that it is rare, if not unprecedented, for a woman to be accepted in the program.

Miss Pengelly, whose parents are Dr. and Mrs. W. Leslie Pengelly of Missoula, is a member of Alpha Phi sorority and Newman Club and is past chairman of the campus special events committee.

Short's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Orley Short of Livingston. He belongs to Phi Kappa Phi scholastic honorary and Phi Psi pharmacy fraternity. He has been a member of the MSU track team for three years and was team captain in 1964.

They will be assigned to a USPHS hospital at Baltimore, New Orleans, New York, San Francisco or Seattle, the dean said. Each of these hospitals has more than 100 general medical and surgical beds plus an outpatient department.

The residencies give graduate pharmacists the specialized training needed to operate pharmaceutical services and to become drug therapy consultants to medical and dental staffs in hospitals. The postgraduate program provides study and practical experience in every phase of hospital pharmacy and firsthand knowledge of the total hospital function.

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The resident serves in the clinical branch of the hospital and observes the operations of other departments, such as internal medicine, surgery, pathology, radiology, nursing and administration. He attends pharmacy staff meetings and works on joint studies with interns and residents from other services. During the year he writes a thesis on an assigned pharmaceutical problem for investigation.

In addition, he spends a week at the Clinical Center at the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, Md., five weeks at the USPHS Medical Supply Depot, Perry Point, Md., and a day in Washington, D. C., meeting with the heads of many of the operating programs of the service.

Interns who complete the program may be considered for continuing assignment and a career with the USPHS, Dean Van Horne said. He noted that Gary Wold, a 1960 MSU pharmacy graduate, is now with the USPHS Pharmacy Service in the Bethesda area. Marvin Schlabs, a 1964 graduate, is nearing completion of a residency in the Pharmacy Intern Program.

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