

## **Twin Lakes Camp Nurse Extern**

Transitioning from the classroom to a career can be challenging. We offer a head start on this transitional period of your career by having the unique opportunity to experience the rewarding world of camp nursing.

### **Objectives of the Nurse Extern Program is to:**

1. Allow understanding of the role played by the nurse as the health care manager in a camp health center.
2. Foster a personal and clinical atmosphere that supports setting goals for growth and learning.
3. Set challenging goals for expanding knowledge and practical skillsets.
4. Demonstrate increased confidence in personal nursing skills and judgment.
5. Use proper resources in problem solving in both professional and client settings.
6. Understand the growth and development needs of school age children and adolescents.
7. Understand the role of various personnel in the functioning of the camp.
8. Learn adaptability skills that allow transition of a graduate nurse through our extern program.
9. Encourage spiritual growth in a religious setting.
10. Develop interpersonal communication skills.
11. Invest in the spiritual growth of the youth at camp and the staff.

### **Responsibilities of the Nurse Extern:**

The Nurse Extern will work alongside with a registered nurse and use the skillset of a clinical technician while at the same time learn the professional practice model set forth by Twin Lakes Camp.

### **The nurse extern will:**

1. Work alongside the RN each week with school age children and adolescents in a Christian environment.
2. Assist with collection of medication and medical supplies during registration.
3. Administer scheduled and PRN medication under the guidance of an RN.
4. Perform first aid to campers and camp staff as needed following the camp clinical guidelines.

5. Attend camper events as time permits, as healthcare is the primary concern.
6. Take injured/ill campers for medical care as directed by camp nurse.
7. Gather camper charts for the next week of camp and make new charts when needed.
8. File charts from previous week of camp as instructed in orientation.
9. Perform housekeeping duties as needed.
10. Assist in updating documentation on campers and staff.
11. Resupplying staff first-aid packs when needed.
12. Must have the camp supplied two-way radio on their person anytime away from the Health Center.
13. Eat during their assigned meal period.
14. Set a proper example by attending assigned chapel.
15. Brief the incoming Nurse with ongoing health concerns from previous weeks.
16. Communicate with nurse coordinator weekly.
17. Meet with Program Director at least weekly to discuss progress towards meeting objectives listed above.
18. Communicate with Nurse Coordinator weekly.
19. Participate in an exit interview with Nurse Coordinator during the last week of camp

**Participation Requirements:**

1. Evidence of salvation by word and deeds.
2. Enrolled currently in a professional nursing program with the goal of becoming an RN.
3. Completed the following courses or equivalent: Assessment, Pharmacology/Dosage Calculation, and Human Growth & Development. Completion of a pediatric course is preferred.
4. Current Health Care Provider CPR certification.
5. Submit one letter of recommendation from a clinical instructor.
6. Complete an application.
7. Submit an official transcript.
8. Knowledge of Mac Pages and Numbers beneficial.

**Extern Orientation:**

1. Attend orientation with the counseling staff.
2. Participate in orientation with Nurse Coordinator during week 1.

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