Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in our program. A child life internship is a great accomplishment and huge stepping-stone into your professional journey. This internship program is based on the competencies put forth by the Association of Child Life Professionals. This packet will outline your internship experience and will include additional information about our program and services here at Internship application found at

www.childlife.org

Semesters Offered: SPRING and FALL

Eligibility

Affiliated and unaffiliated interns accepted Course work m

Child Life Intern Job Description

Internship training is offered during the **SPRING** and **FALL** semester. It will include a commitment of a minimum of 16 weeks, 640 hours at 40 hours per week. There is one-week of orientation and two clinical rotations: Inpatient and ED. There will also be two mini rotations in outpatient clinics and OR. During this internship, you will learn and incorporate:

Play

Medical Play

Health care education

Advocate for family involvement/Patient and Family centered care

Build supportive and therapeutic relationships

Medical procedure preparation

Child life assessment

Grief and bereavement support

Child Development

Charting

Sibling Support

Pain Management and Distraction

Program Operations

You will work with many different specialties including but not limited to:

Hematology/Oncology

Nephrology

Cardiology

Rheumatology

Burn and Trauma

Gastroenterology

Pulmonary

Ortho

Family Practice

Neurology

Surgery

ENT

Rehab

Hospice

During your internship, typical hours may be 8-5pm but will include some evening and weekend hours depending on your rotations. Intern will attend weekly department in-services and will complete multiple assignments, readings and projects. Intern will keep a daily journal written in at the end of each day to reflect while it is fresh in your memory. Intern will have weekly supervision sessions with supervisor to reflect on your experiences, your journal and to self-evaluate your progress.

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Hospital Requirements

These will be dependent on if intern is affiliated or unaffiliated but can include:

Hospital/Volunteer orientation

CPR certification

Background check

TB test/Current Immunizations

Online learning competencies

Affiliation contract

Housing, Meals and Parking

Interns are responsible for making their own arrangements for housing and meals. You will have access to a refrigerator, stove and microwave during work hours. There are many options for meals within the hospital including the cafeteria and restaurants.

Parking pass will be provided with shuttle to the hospital.

Physical Conditions

Medium Work: Exerting 20 to 50 pounds of force occasionally, and/or 10 to 25 pounds of force frequently, and/or greater than negligible up to 10 pounds of force constantly to move objects. Physical Demand requirements are in excess of those for Light Work.

Internship Offer and Acceptance Dates

UNMH follows the ACLP application deadlines for the **SPRING** and **FALL** semester. Please refer to www.childlife.org

Submit applications to:

unmhchildlifeinternship@salud.unm.edu