



JOB DESCRIPTION

The Painted Turtle seeks to reach beyond illness, to inspire children with chronic and life-threatening illnesses to become their greater selves.

Title: Nurse Manager

Department: Medical

Reports to: Health Center Director

Status: Seasonal: Full time during summer, Requirement offseason TBD

Location: Offsite; camp for summer orientation and sessions

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Summary: A unique opportunity to manage the medical program at a world-class medial specialty camp for children with chronic medical conditions. Founded by actor and philanthropist Paul Newman, The Painted Turtle provides an exhilarating, medically safe camp experience for campers whose conditions require medical supervision by specialty physicians, nurses, and other health professionals. This rewarding position maintains and oversees the nursing program of The Painted Turtle and works in a creative and collaborative team setting. This position will work closely with the Nursing Director (ND) and the Health Center Director (HCD) in providing a safe and healthy environment for the children with chronic medical conditions. The Painted Turtle programs include 8 summer sessions for children 7- 16 years old as well as family weekend programs during the spring and fall.

Qualifications:

- RN license in California
- 3 years of pediatric experience required
- BSN preferred
- Experience as a manager, charge nurse or other leadership position preferred

Essential Duties and Responsibilities include the following. Other duties may be assigned.

Administrative

- The Nurse Manager together with the Health Center Director, Medical Director and Nursing Director will be responsible for all activities within the Well Shell (infirmary) that relate the care of campers and staff during summer and family weekend programs
- Participate in development of medical policies, procedures, and delivery systems for campers and camp staff
- Responsible for knowing and adhering to camp policies and procedures
- Participate in all "session planning meetings" to ensure the coordination of medical and program activities
- Update, maintain and assure accuracy of medical information in the camper/staff computer database.
- Maintain required federal and state records and reports regarding the use of narcotics and restricted medications at Camp.
- Ensure the Well Shell meets all applicable regulations and standards of the State of California Dept of Health, OSHA and the American Camping Association (for example, record keeping of campers and staff, biomedical waste disposal etc.)
- Develop medical education program and resource materials for nurses/ camp staff.
- Assist in camper cabin assignments for summer sessions

- Assist in scheduling medical staff and volunteers for sessions including cabin assignments, Well Shell coverage and high-risk program areas
- In collaboration with the ND, oversee 24 hour nursing coverage during camp sessions
- Work in coordination with Health Center Director(HCD), Nursing Director(ND) and Camp Director (CD) for daily health surveillance of campers and staff
- Submit feedback/reports from each session experience to Health Center Director
- Rotating administrative call during camp session with Health Center Director and Nurse Director

Supervision Of The Well Shell During Camp Sessions - Summer and Weekend Programs

- Create a healing, welcoming environment within The Well Shell and provide an atmosphere of good morale and well – being among the camp family
- Ensure that medical staff follow The Painted Turtle medical policies, procedures and delivery systems for campers and camp staff
- Participate and implement medical staff training and orientation with Nursing Director
- Participate in medical overview for general staff orientation
- Provide direct care as needed within scope of practice and doctors orders :
- Prepare, distribute, and administer scheduled medications to campers, staff and volunteers including PO, IM, SQ, and IV routes
- Administer scheduled medical treatments to campers, staff and volunteers
- Administer emergency treatments to campers, staff and volunteers as ordered
- Provide appropriate first aid per orders
- Schedule and obtain lab studies, arrange transport of specimens to appropriate laboratory and follow up on results to be reviewed
- Coordinate transport of camper to other medical facility when health needs arise
- Act as a resource and role model to medical staff , camp staff and volunteers (answer questions, provide in-services)
- Consult with camp staff to verify that all campers are provided with a healthy and safe experience consistent with each camper’s medical condition.
- Communicate with appropriate camp program personnel concerning campers’ diagnosis, care, and treatment needs – “special consideration sheets”/ information sheets
- Ensure the confidentiality of camper and family medical information and records is maintained
- Assist in supervision of and/ or participation in any patient or family medical education activities in coordination with HCD, ND and program staff.
- Maintain communication with families and referring physicians about significant health-related developments that present while child is at camp
- Prepare and distribute medical equipment and supplies to program areas and cabins on and off-season (ex: first aid kits, backboards).
- Supply and maintain appropriate supplies, equipment and medications in the Well Shell to support campers and staff during programs at Camp. Assist with maintaining inventory lists and update before, during and after the summer program and throughout year.
- Anticipate, prepare and assure supplies and equipment are available for individual campers with special needs
- Assure medications and procedures are administered properly and appropriate records are maintained. Such documents (medication records log book, incident reports) are to be recorded and forwarded appropriately.
- Assure cleaning/housekeeping of Well Shell is maintained according to standards

Outreach / Development/ Awareness- year round

- Help coordinate the medical camp staff and facility in participation in Painted Turtle community relations programs and special events on site
- Speak to medical professionals and potential donors/sponsors who may visit during sessions
- Speaking engagements, presentations at hospitals, clinics, nursing conferences, schools of nursing for awareness and recruitment of campers and staff

About Us:

The Painted Turtle has been providing camp experiences to children with serious medical conditions and their families since opening its gates in 2004. The people who work here have big hearts and work tirelessly to ensure we are making a difference. Our culture is fun, emotionally driven, and extremely collaborative. We work by a strong set of core values that guide us in all we do: Community, Trust, Courage, Heart, Vision, Compassion, and most of all Joy! What we do is hard to put into words, but our co-founder Paul Newman sums it up best "It's not that the children say, 'Thanks for a wonderful time.' It's that they say, 'Thank you for changing my life.'" Join The Painted Turtle team and you too will experience the magic and power of Camp.

Salary commensurate with experience

To apply: Please submit a resume and cover letter to Michelle Melendez, Health Center Director at michellem@thepaintedturtle.org