

**HAPPINESS IS CAMPING FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER
COUNSELOR
POSITION DESCRIPTION**

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ Desire to work in a camp community
- ◆ Ability to relate to one's peer group
- ◆ Ability to assist or lead an activity
- ◆ Certification in one program area
- ◆ Good character, integrity and adaptability
- ◆ Enthusiasm, sense of humor, patience and self control
- ◆ College student or at least 19 years old
- ◆ Ability to accept guidance and supervision

RESPONSIBLE TO:

General Activities Program Director

CAMP GOALS:

Provide young cancer patients with a happy, rewarding, NORMAL childhood experience in a natural setting by having each camper:

- ◆ Develop self-confidence and independence
- ◆ Develop friendships with others
- ◆ Develop a spirit of cooperation and group identity
- ◆ Develop skills and interests

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY:

To identify and meet camper needs

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ◆ Learn the likes/dislikes of each camper
- ◆ Recognize and respond to opportunities for problem solving in the cabin
- ◆ Develop opportunities for interaction between campers, staff, and volunteers
- ◆ Provide opportunities for the group so that each camper experiences success during camp
- ◆ Provide opportunities for discussion of individual or group problems or concerns
- ◆ Help each camper meet the goals established by the camp for camper development

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY:

To carry out camp programs

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ◆ Guide cabin group and individual campers in participating successfully in all aspects of camp activities
- ◆ Carry out established roles for supervising camper health
- ◆ Carry out established roles in enforcing camp safety regulations
- ◆ Develop cabin or unit activity plan with campers
- ◆ Supervise all assigned aspects of the campers day including reveille, cabin clean-up, meals, siesta, evening activities, getting ready for bed, and after-hours duty as assigned
- ◆ Instruct campers in emergency procedures such as fire drills, evacuating the cabin, etc.
- ◆ Help campers plan their participation in cabin wide or camp wide programs, special events and activities
- ◆ Lead/teach activities as assigned

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY:

To fulfill other staff administrative roles

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ◆ Prepare for and actively participate in staff training, meetings, and supervisory conferences
- ◆ Set good example for campers and others including cleanliness, punctuality, sharing clean-up and chores, sportsmanship and table manners
- ◆ Follow camp rules and regulations pertaining to no smoking, use of alcoholic beverages, and use of drugs
- ◆ Encourage respect for personal property, camp equipment and facilities
- ◆ Manage personal time off in accordance with camp policy, and camp curfew policies
- ◆ These are not the only duties to be performed, duties may be reassigned, additional duties may be assigned as required

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- ◆ Ability to assist campers in emergencies
- ◆ Strength and endurance required to maintain constant supervision of campers