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Child Life Program

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CHILD LIFE VOLUNTEER

Placement Types

Child Life Program Volunteer - Clinic

- Clinic volunteers have a recurring weekly shift in our Massie clinic at the UC Davis MIND Institute in addition to being eligible to volunteer at all special events and programs.

Child Life Program Volunteer - Special Events and Programming

- Will volunteer and participate for special events and/or special programming only. For individuals who cannot commit to a weekly shift and/or have availability only during evenings and weekends.

Programming Placements

Sibling Sessions - Held in-person the first Wednesday of every month (no sessions in July or Dec.), from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Volunteer shift requirement is 5:30 - 7:45 p.m.

CAMP MIND - Will be held the week of July 28 through Aug. 1. Volunteer shifts will be from 8:30 - 5:30 p.m. with a 1-hour lunch. Some half day roles will be available.

Volunteer Placement: Clinic

Requirements for Placement

Transportation to and from MIND Institute located at 2825 50th Street or ability to use shuttle from UC Davis Campus. (Parking passes will be provided for your shifts good for use in any B-permit lot)

4 hours per week, commitment to an assigned shift day and time

6-month commitment minimum

Must wear assigned volunteer uniform each shift and badge at all times

General Tasks:

- Clean Massie Clinic waiting area
- Clean MIND Institute Research waiting area
- Toy cleaning (Clinic and Research)
- Organizing toys in the waiting area and on playground
- Creating activities for patients (i.e. putting together craft kits, crafting supplies, play items, etc.)
- Play interventions (playground, board games, video games, crafting, manipulative toys, etc.) with patients during parent feedback or assessment visit breaks
- Patient supervision
- Assisting with parking pass distribution for families and guidance
- Restocking linens and misc. clinic preparation duties
- Assist Student Assistants with tasks as needed
- Assist Child Life Specialists with tasks, special events and special projects as needed

Volunteer Placement: Special Events and Programming

Requirements

Transportation to and from MIND Institute located at 2825 50th Street or ability to use shuttle from UC Davis Campus. (Parking passes will be provided for your shifts good for use in any B-permit lot). Transportation to special event sites as needed.

- 2 - 4 special events per year and/or a program placement such as Sibling Sessions or Camp MIND.
- Minimum commitment of 2 events per year
- 1 year commitment
- Must wear assigned volunteer uniform or provided event t-shirt each shift and badge at all times.

Volunteer Placement: Special Events and Programming

Special Events- Provide general support for special events supporting children with neurodevelopmental disabilities to include but not limited to: set-up, registration, clean up, food distribution, decoration, resource distribution, children's activities, family support, managing/running activity areas or play interventions, putting together resource or giveaway bags, assisting with parking guidance, etc.

- Assist Student Assistants with tasks as needed
- Assist Child Life Specialists with tasks and supports at special events as needed

Sibling Sessions: Serve as a co-leader for sibling sessions once a month (First Wednesdays) working with children ages 7 - 17 who have a sibling with a neurodevelopmental disability. Supporting and leading play interventions, therapeutic discussions and play with a staff of Certified Child Life specialists and Child Life assistants. Responsibilities may include but are not limited to: Supervising sibling groups, play interactions with siblings, set up for various activities, setting up/distributing food/snacks, games, playground supervision, supports, debriefs and clean up.

- Assist Student Assistants with tasks as needed
- Assist Child Life Specialists with tasks and supports at special events as needed

Volunteer Placement: Special Events and Programming

Camp MIND: This is a limited placement. In order to be considered for this placement Volunteers must commit to the entire week July 28 - Aug. 1.

Volunteers must also be able to attend a Camp Orientation and training session. Priority for Camp MIND placements will go to individuals who can commit to the full days for the week of the program.

Shifts will be from **8:30 - 5:30 p.m. with a 1-hour lunch**, some half day shifts will be shared as available.

Camp MIND is an inclusive camp program designed for the neurodivergent child's individualized needs in mind. Our environment is sensory friendly, highly supportive and staffed with trained staff, students and volunteers.

Roles and responsibilities for Camp MIND volunteers include but are not limited to:

- Camper Supervision
- Direct participation in various play activities such as games, group discussions, outside play, science experiments, pet therapy, mindfulness, scavenger hunts, outdoor play, music therapy, arts and crafts, supporting campers during special guest visits.
- Camper supports and 1:1 interventions

Preference given to individuals with previous experience working with neurodevelopmental disabilities, background in psychology, child development, child life, human development, behavioral psych or medicine.

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

Health Requirements

If you are accepted to volunteer at UC Davis Health, you must provide proof of the immunizations listed below. Volunteers may visit their provider or the Student Health and Wellness Center to meet the health requirements. Please note: multiple visits may be required.

- Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR): proof of two vaccinations or a positive blood titer
- Varicella (Chicken Pox): proof of two vaccinations or a positive blood titer
- Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (TDAP): These must have been administered after 2005, including the booster for pertussis or whooping cough
- Flu Shot: Required during flu season: Unfortunately, UC Davis Health Volunteer Services can not accept declination letters or the option of wearing a mask. You may choose to volunteer after the flu season has ended
- Tuberculosis (TB) Requirements (volunteers must complete options A, B, or C):

Option A: Two negative TB skin tests: one within the last three months and one within the previous year.

Option B: One negative QuantiFERON (QFT) Blood Test within the last three months.

Option C: One negative Chest X-ray report completed within the last three months if you have a positive TB skin test (must provide proof of positive skin test results). You will be referred for a TB symptom interview.

Adult Volunteers

You must be at least 18 years old at the time of registration.

Onboarding: If selected for a volunteer placement, Complete the volunteer onboarding process. This includes an online orientation video, background check, application submission, in-person meeting, and signing acknowledgment and agreement forms.

Time Commitment: Volunteers are required a minimum commitment of 3 to 6 months (depending on assignment), volunteering 4 hours 1 day per week, same day and time each week. Special and Event Programming Volunteers will discuss their placement options with the Child Life Program prior to onboarding.

Health Requirements: Volunteers must have the proper immunizations listed above.

\$25 Processing Fee: This fee helps offset the rising cost of volunteer onboarding and placement. For more information please see [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Note: Opportunities to serve UC Davis Health pediatric patients require that volunteers be 18 years old and older.

Volunteer Interest Form

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

☐ I am 18 years or older.

☐ I am willing to complete the medical requirements according to UC Davis Volunteer Services policy.

☐ I am willing to complete the required background check according to UC Davis Volunteer Services policy.

I am interested and able to commit to the following placements:

☐ Child Life Program - Clinic

☐ Child Life Program Special Events and Programming Only

Using the table below, please indicate the volunteer slots you are available to commit to by ranking them from 1–5, with 1 being your highest preference.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30 - 12:30 p.m.	8:30 - 12:30 p.m.	8:30 - 12:30 p.m.	8:30 - 12:30 p.m.	8:30 - 12:30 p.m.
12:30 - 4:30 p.m.	12:30 - 4:30 p.m.	12:30 - 4:30 p.m.	12:30 - 4:30 p.m.	12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

I am interested in the following specific program placements:

☐ Sibling Sessions

☐ Special Events

☐ Camp MIND

Please include your resume when turning in this form and describe any additional experience working with children below and on the back of this page.