

MA-HE-TU

CAMP NURSE

Position Summary:

Camp Ma-He-Tu is looking for an enthusiastic nurse who wants to join our small (but thriving) community, try new things, spend afternoons by the lake, and take a ride on the zipline - all while caring for and supporting our amazing campers and staff.

The nurse is responsible for all health-related care of approximately 160 campers and staff. The nurse is the primary medical professional in camp whose responsibilities include reviewing camper health forms, administering medication, assessing medical needs, providing emergency care, coordinating referrals to external providers, providing care to campers and staff requiring short-term bed rest; communication of pertinent medical information to the Director and camper parents, and maintaining medical records and logs.

Key Responsibilities:

- Precise management of prescribed, OTC, and standing order medications
- Review camper health forms (parent/guardian reported and physician form) prior to the session start, noting any significant issues, and follow up with families to obtain more details as needed.
- Screen campers on check-in day, discuss any health concerns with parents/guardians, and manage all incoming medications to ensure all medications are present, correct, and secure.
- Dispense and administer medication according to physician's orders.
- Assess the medical needs of any child or staff member entering the Health Center and provide treatment as necessary or refer to medical facility or hospital, following standing orders issued by Medical Director
- Log all treatments and medications administered in staff or camper Health Log, or in individual medical record as needed.
- Report all required incidents to the New York State Department of Health as needed.
- Will be on-call at all times except during scheduled time off.
- Manage timely, thorough, and proactive communication with families via phone and email regarding campers' medical care.
- Advise camp director of any urgent health center related matters.
- Be familiar with emergency procedures and follow them when necessary.
- Maintain a pleasant demeanor, offer comfort and reassurance for a pleasant experience.
- Keep the health center clean, organized, and ready for patients.
- Ensure health center has sufficient supplies and order more inventory as necessary.
- Prepare and replenish first aid kits.
- Share health issues and allergies with staff prior to off-site/field trip departures.
- Perform thorough daily inspections of camper cabins, tents, and other camp areas.

Knowledge, Qualifications, Skills, Abilities:

Required:

- Must be currently licensed as a Registered Nurse in New York State OR must be able to obtain a New York State license before June 1st. Advanced practice nurses, physicians assistants, or physicians are welcome.
- At least one year of nursing experience
- Must be professional, flexible, caring, and enjoy working with children
- Current CPR and First Aid
- Willingness to live and work in an overnight camp environment which can include caring for inpatients over night.
- Ability to be on feet for long periods and to travel around camp's rocky terrain on foot
- Strong organizational skills and attention to detail
- Accurate and thorough record keeping
- Experience with electronic medical records and computer proficiency
- Excellent communication skills with both adults and children (e.g., campers, parents/families, camp staff, and other medical providers)

Preferred:

- At least two years of pediatric, school, or camp nursing experience
- Understanding of ADHD, depression, anxiety, and eating disorders
- Mental Health First Aid certification
- The ideal candidate will be hard-working, enthusiastic, and be interested in being an active participant in the summer camp community

Schedule:

Health Form Review (Remote): June 9 – July 7

Session (On-Site): July 7 – July 20

Time Off: July 12 – July 14

This is a live-in position. The nurse has a private room in the Health Center, eats meals in the Dining Hall with the rest of camp, and is encouraged to participate in the general camp program as much as possible. The Health Center has an exam room, sick room, private nursing accommodations, bathroom, and washer/dryer.

The standard schedule accommodates a time-off from Friday evening to Sunday evening in the middle of the two-week session. Coverage is arranged.

Health forms are due for campers on June 9th. Nurse review will begin then and can be completed remotely, on your own time, prior to the session using our electronic registration/forms system.

Compensation:

This is a seasonal contract with a salary of \$4,250, room and board included. Other benefits include free camp tuition for eligible children, New York State license reimbursement if needed, time off, and opportunities to enjoy all the facilities and activities that Camp Ma-He-Tu offers.

About Camp Ma-He-Tu:

Camp Ma-He-Tu is a not-for-profit, ACA-accredited residential summer camp founded in 1937. Our mission drives every decision, empowering our girls to unplug, learn, and grow in a picturesque lakeside setting. Our small size - only 110 campers at a time - enables our girls to make deep, life-long friendships. Camp Ma-He-Tu is sponsored by the Lutheran Girls' Camp Association (501c3) and affiliated with the Metro NY Synod of the ELCA.

Ma-He-Tu is located on the shores of Lake Kanawauke in Harriman State Park, in Bear Mountain, New York. Ma-He-Tu retains its rugged charm with little alteration to the natural landscape - our facilities blend right into the beautiful wilderness.

Our location within the Park System provides us with many additional advantages:

- Privacy - we are isolated from commercial and private land use. Our only neighbors are other camps!
- Access - we can hop on any of the extensive hiking trails maintained by the park and are within walking distance to the Nature Museum
- Activities - the Bear Mountain Zoo, West Point, the Bear Mountain Inn, Perkin's Drive, and public beaches are fun field trips
- Security - we have the added security of the Park Police Force in case of emergency
- Convenience - we are only about an hour away from NYC by car, bus, or train