



HIGHER GROUND

Higher Ground Sun Valley – Recreation Program Winter Recreational Therapy Intern Job Description

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Job Summary

Under the supervision of a Certified Therapeutic Recreation Specialist (CTRS), the Recreational Therapy Intern will provide assistance to the HG Recreation team through all aspects of the assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation (APIE) process.

Supervisor

Internship & Impact Manager (CTRS) or Recreation Program Manager (CTRS), and Recreation Program Director (CTRS)

Responsibilities

HG Recreation Program Winter Intern will be expected to: perform as an integral part of HG Recreation team for entire winter season; form professional relationships with participants, staff, volunteers, and board members; track own hours for NCTRC (National Council for Therapeutic Recreation Certification) internship requirements; and complete midterm and final self-evaluations. Specific duties will be determined as appropriate, but may include the following: clinical assessments; planning and implementation of lessons and programming; database operations; co- and lead facilitation of activities, snowsports lessons, and other therapeutic initiatives; documentation of client goals, interactions, and progress; contribution to, and composition of, post-program summaries and After Action Reviews; hands-on support with military program events; completion of a special project.

Qualifications

- Working toward undergraduate or graduate degree in Recreational Therapy or related field
- Completion of Idaho State background check & valid driver's license
- Basic computer processing skills including MS office required
- Clear written and verbal communication skills
- Experience with programming for people of all abilities
- Ability to give and receive feedback in a positive manner
- Commitment to all responsibilities and expectations
- Can-do attitude, willingness to step outside comfort zone, motivated, self-starting
- Experience with people with physical and/or cognitive disabilities is preferred
- Alpine skiing and/or snowboarding experience preferred

Hours and Days

Winter Recreation Program internships are scheduled November 15th through April 15th, a five month commitment. In accordance with NCTRC standards, each recreational therapy intern will track hours for a minimum of 14 consecutive weeks during their placement (which will exceed the number of hours required by NCTRC). The Recreational Therapy Intern will be expected to work 40-45 hours per week which may include weekends and holidays.

Benefits

Membership to the Wood River YMCA, access to a ski pass, and a modest stipend.

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