

PROGRAM: THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

POSITION: Therapeutic Recreation Specialist

Application Deadline	Start Date	Wage	Hours Per Week	Must Be Available
	May 6, 2017	\$20.00 / hr	40	Days Evenings

DEFINITION: DPR's Therapeutic Recreation division provides recreation and athletic programs for residents of all ages, including adaptive programs and facilities for persons with disabilities, by addressing the needs of individuals living with disabilities through a continuum of specialized therapeutic recreation program services.

EXAMPLE OF DUTIES:

- Supervise 30-40 youth with special needs ensuring their safety at all times.
- Assist in managing 5-12 summer camp employees
- Assist in developing and implementing an engaging daily curriculum
- Provide verbal and physical intervention as needed to manage disruptive or aggressive participant behavior
- Model appropriate social behaviors and encourage the campers to interact positively with each other
- Foster a positive working environment
- Create a structured schedule for each day
- Develop positive working relationships with the site staff
- Swim and monitor pool safety with campers during all swim sessions
- Complete administrative duties daily (i.e. scheduling, attendance, planning for next day, and emailing)
- Comply with personnel policies for camp staff

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS/EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE:

- At least 21 years of age
- High level of energy and enthusiasm
- Available to attend training and work every day of Summer Camp from June 19-August 11, 2017
- At least 3 years of experience working with children with a wide range of special needs
- At least 2 years of experience in a leadership role
- The ability to plan, organize, and contribute ideas during planning sessions, securing supplies and materials, etc.
- Leadership experience including planning and preparation of various engaging recreational activities.
- Good judgment and the ability to recognize hazardous situations and prevent accidents
- Must be alert and able to physically control campers if necessary
- Ability to implement behavior management plans or supporting behavior management strategies
- Must have knowledge of developmental and intellectual disabilities and behavior management techniques such as positive reinforcement, redirection, setting limits, etc.