

Lourdes Health System Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers who donate their time and talent play an important role in the experience of our patients, family members, and staff. Volunteers help to carry out the health system's mission of caring and compassion by serving those in need.

By becoming a Lourdes Health System Volunteer your time and commitment will truly make a difference to all we serve.

Adult Volunteer Program for:

- Lourdes Medical Center of Burlington County
- Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center- Camden
- Lourdes Care of Cherry Hill
- Life at Lourdes- Pennsauken
- Osborn Family Health
- Lourdes Thrift Depot

Lourdes Health System has a variety of opportunities available for adult volunteers. Depending on the assignment, adult volunteers are expected to commit to a minimum of 3-4 hours per week. Volunteer assignments are based on organizational need, volunteer interest, knowledge, skills, and abilities. All volunteers are expected to adhere to the Lourdes Health system policies, procedures, and our commitment to excellence. Adult volunteers enjoy many benefits; including free parking, documentation of hours, special discounts, and our annual volunteer recognition event. Adult Volunteers are expected to provide 100 hours within a one year period. A background check is required.

All applications will be reviewed by Volunteer Services staff and eligible applicants will be invited to a formal interview. Those who are accepted into the program will need have a flu shot (between October and March) and a tubulin skin test. Lourdes Health system will provide the flu shot and the two step Mantox. If the applicant chooses to go elsewhere, documented proof is required. The applicant is also expected to provide documentation that indicates immunization/clearance from the following: Rubella (German Measles), Rubeola (Measles), Varicella, (Chicken Pox), Hepatitis B, and Tuberculosis.

College Student Summer Program

The college volunteer program offers students currently enrolled in an undergraduate program the opportunity to gain exposure to the medical environment while also giving back to the community. College Students who are interested in participating in the Volunteer program must provide the health system with a minimum of 30 hours over the course of the 8 week program in the summer. We encourage the student to provide 40 hours, but will accept the minimum of 30. The minimum requirement is one 4 hour shift over an 8 week period. If the student does not adhere to those requirements the volunteer department will not give a recommendation or validate hours less than 30 hour served. The college student will fill out an adult volunteer application, which is located on the Lourdes Health System Website.

Based on departmental need, the college student who participated in the summer program will be permitted to return and volunteer during breaks and on holidays within the one year period.

A background check will be required for all college student applicants. All applications will be reviewed by Volunteer Services staff and eligible applicants will be invited to a formal interview. Those who are accepted into the program will need have a flu shot (between October and March) and a tubulin skin test. Lourdes Health system can provide the flu shot and the two step Mantox. If the applicant chooses to see his/her own physician, documented proof is required. The applicant is also expected to provide documentation that indicates immunization/clearance from the following: Rubella (German Measles), Rubeola (Measles), Varicella, (Chicken Pox), Hepatitis B, and Tuberculosis.

The Summer Teen Volunteer Program

Applications for the summer teen program will be accepted from April 1st through May 15th. This is a strict deadline. Any applicant that misses the deadline will not be accepted. This deadline is set up to enable the volunteer department to organize the program and prepare for the amount of students that we have to onboard.

The students must be between the ages of 14-18 and in high school. The student should be entering his/her freshman year or entering their high school senior year. Graduating seniors can apply for the adult program. A background check may be required.

All students are required to provide a minimum of 30 hours during the course of the summer for the 8 week program. The student must provide a minimum of one 4 hour shift over the 8 week period. 30 hours are the minimum requirement for the program. We encourage the student to provide 40 hours, but will accept the minimum of 30. If the teen volunteer does not comply with the 30 hour minimum requirement the volunteer department will not give a recommendation or validate hours less than 30 hours served.

Placement for the teen volunteer will be based on departmental need and be coordinated through the volunteer services department. Teens are not allowed to volunteer in the same department as their relative.

Based on departmental need, the teen volunteer who participated in the summer program will be permitted to return and volunteer during breaks and on holidays within the one year period.

The teen volunteer application can be located on the Lourdes Health System Website between April and May.

Volunteer Crafters

We are always in need of volunteers to make beautiful Afghans for our patients. We are looking for offsite volunteers who knit or crochet blankets for our care and comfort patients. Anyone interested in providing this service please give our Patient Relations Department a call at 856-757-3755

If you have any questions regarding Lourdes Health System Volunteer Programs, please call our volunteer department at: 856-757-3784.