

Project SEARCH

at Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare



Preparing young people with significant disabilities for success in integrated, competitive employment

Through a partnership with Project SEARCH, Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare helps young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities find competitive work by providing internship opportunities within the hospital and clinics.

The nine-month internships combine real-life work experience with training and coaching in employability and independent-living skills. The interns complete three ten-week rotations to explore a variety of career paths. As a result, the interns gain confidence, a sense of independence, and the skills needed to be employable. The goal is to help the interns be successfully employed in nontraditional, competitive, and rewarding jobs within their community.

Gillette Children's and Project SEARCH also partners with vocational rehabilitation services and other adult service agencies to provide continued support after the completion of the program.

Eligibility:

- Project SEARCH serves young people with significant intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- Typically, an interested student is on an Individual Education Program (IEP) and in their last year of high school eligibility.
- Interested students must be at least 18 years old to be considered for the program. Most interns are between the ages of 18 and 22.
- The most important criterion for acceptance into Project SEARCH is a desire to achieve competitive employment.

Selection Process:

- Program selection occurs from January – March for the following school year
- Interested students must complete an application to the program
- The Gillette Children's Project SEARCH leadership committee reviews applications and conducts interviews with each applicant
- The applicant must also complete a skills assessment as part of their interview process



"There's no place I'd rather be." – Yusuf, Project SEARCH Intern

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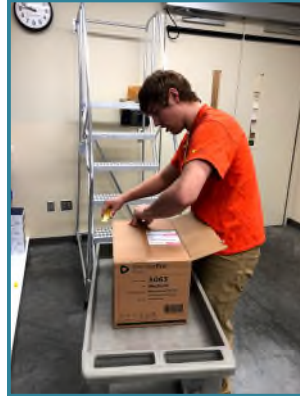
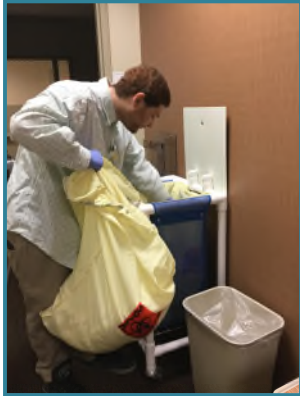
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Internship Opportunities

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Department Rotations and Tasks:

Human Resources / Clerical

- Scan, copy, fax, and print materials
- Alphabetize and mail items
- Assemble packets of materials
- Data entry
- Organize files

Supply Chain

- Pick orders from inventory
- Sort and deliver mail
- Stock carts with product
- Deliver hospital supplies
- Receive deliveries
- Clean and organize warehouse

Environment of Care

- Clean patient rooms (mopping, changing linen, wiping surfaces)
- Interact with patients and families
- Stock supply carts
- Manage a schedule

Rehabilitation Therapies

- Prepare and organize therapy rooms
- Sanitize gym equipment and toys
- Interact with patients and families
- Maintain waiting area
- Maintain equipment

Surgery and Sterile Processing

- Organize surgical supplies
- Maintain supplies from inventory
- Clean and prepare operating rooms
- Assemble instruments
- Assist with sterilization

Patient Access / Guest Services

- Data entry
- Organize paperwork
- Copy, fax, and print materials
- Pull electronic reports
- Maintain waiting areas

Pediatric Intensive Care Unit & Respiratory Therapies

- Clean, sanitize, assemble equipment
- Deliver medical equipment
- File paperwork
- Assemble medical devices
- Stock patient rooms with linens and supplies

Outpatient Clinics

- Interact with patients and families
- Clean and prepare exam rooms
- Stock linens and supplies
- Make reminder phone calls
- Data entry

Inpatient Units

- Maintain family waiting rooms
- Prepare patient rooms
- Stock linens and supplies
- Clean and organize supplies
- Interact with patients and families

Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Seating

- Measure and cut straps
- Make cast molds
- Trace and cut foam
- Clean and organize supplies

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