

## VOLUNTEER AND OBSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES

### OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY AT REHAB CONNECTION

Providing the best care possible to the people that we serve at Rehab Connection is the result of teamwork between patients, their families, and our staff. The success of this partnership is also made possible through the support of non-employed individuals such as students and volunteers.

#### **OUTPATIENT PHYSICAL THERAPY -CLINIC BASED**

**Observation/shadowing:** An opportunity to observe therapists in a our facility. It is a one-day observational experience.

**Vounteering:** An opportunity to observe therapists and assist with therapy specific needs on a regularly scheduled basis. Volunteer hours will be determined based on Rehab Connection's needs and your availability. Volunteers may have the opportunity to:

- Observe patient care (does not include hands-on experience)
- Assist with departmental projects
- Assist with cleaning and organization of equipment
- Assist therapists with set up/clean up of treatment activities

Volunteer hours may be used to fulfill educational requirements (i.e., hours required for application into therapy specialty).

#### **OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPY WITH CHILDREN:**

Rehab Connection provides clinic based and Aquatic therapy for children. We also offer Aqua Buddies Swim Classes for children with special needs. These programs offer opportunities to observe and volunteer with children.

**Our School Based PT and OT** requires all students, observers, and volunteers to complete the State requirements of being fingerprinted and background checked prior to being able to enter the schools . Please note that there is a cost associated with this process and it may take several months to complete. If you are interested in volunteering or observing in this setting, we will be happy to provide you with the necessary information to get started!

***If you are interested in observation or volunteer opportunities at Rehab Connection, please complete the following Volunteer Interest Form and we will be in contact with you soon!***

**OT/PT student affiliation:** Student affiliations require a contract between the school and Rehab Connection. If you are interested in completing your affiliation with Rehab Connection, please have your ACCE (Academic Coordinator of Clinical Education) contact our CCCE (Center Coordinator of Clinical Education), Deb Lischak at [DLischak@rehabconnection.org](mailto:DLischak@rehabconnection.org).