

## CAMP NURSE

The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit youth development organization, has provided free summer experiences to more than 1.8 million New York City children from low-income communities since 1877. Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, The Fund continues to provide safe, fun, engaging and enriching experiences for New York City youth to keep the magic of summer alive through virtual and outdoor programs. Fresh Air children also participate in year-round leadership and educational programs. For more information, visit [www.FreshAir.org](http://www.FreshAir.org).

### Position Summary

Camp Nursing Staff work in our camp health centers and are responsible for all health-related care of campers and staff. Camp Nurses are the primary medical staff in camp and administer medication, assess medical needs and provide emergency care as needed. Nursing Assistants work alongside our Camp Nurses and assist them with daily routines and camper supervision in the infirmary.

*The Camp Nurses reports to the Health and Safety Director.*

### Responsibilities

1. Responsible for all health-related care of campers and staff at camp. Duties include: medication distribution; health education teaching and maintenance; emergency care; referrals to camp doctor; nursing care of campers and staff requiring short-term bed rest; communication of pertinent medical information to The Fresh Air Fund office and parents; and maintaining medical records and logs.
2. Conduct physical screening of all staff and children and reviews their health histories and physical examinations within twenty-four hours of their arrival at camp.
3. Camp Nurses are the primary medical staff in camp and report directly to the Camp Director and Senior Camp Nurse.
4. Follow standing orders issues by Medical Director.
5. Assess medical needs of any child or staff member entering the infirmary and provide treatment as necessary or refers to medical facility, hospital or specialist.
6. Administer medications as prescribed.
7. Log all treatments and medications administered in staff or camper logbook and in each individual's file.
8. Make periodic checks to ascertain that kitchen, dining hall, bathrooms and cabins are clean and sanitary.
9. On-call at **all** times except during scheduled time off.
10. Communicate with Senior Camp Nurse on all serious matters.
11. Following consultation with the Camp Director, make mandated reports to Dutchess County Department of Health about: injuries or illnesses which result in death or which require resuscitation

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or admission to a hospital; injuries which involve bone fractures, lacerations requiring sutures; physical or sexual abuse allegation; illnesses suspected of being water, food, or air-borne, or spread by contact; an epi-pen administration and potential rabies contact with animals.

12. Participate in camp orientation and trainings throughout the summer.
13. Nurses are provided with private rooms at their assigned camp and eat meals in the camp dining hall. They are encouraged to participate in the general camp program as much as possible.
14. Time off will be approved by the Senior Camp Nurse and in coordination with the Camp Director and all other camp nurses on Sharpe Reservation.
15. Understand that campers come first and decisions should be made in the best interest of the campers.
16. Explain and enforce the policies, traditions, and rules of camp.
17. Strive to work in a cooperative manner with fellow staff to achieve goals of the program.
18. Invest time with campers to meet their needs, challenge their capabilities, and serve as a role model during their time at camp.
19. Assume responsibility for the use and care of camp equipment and facilities.
20. Be totally familiar with emergency procedures and follow them when necessary.
21. Other duties as assigned.

#### **Qualifications**

1. Must be currently licensed as a Registered Nurse or a Licensed Practical Nurse in New York State OR must be a graduate of a Nursing Program who plans to take the State Board of Nursing Exam by September 1.
2. Must have or obtain a New York State license.
3. B.S. in nursing preferred; minimum of AA degree required.
4. Must have a current Professional level CPR certificate, not exceeding one year in duration, issued by a certifying agency determined by the New York State Department of Health, or participate in The Fresh Air Fund's certification course. Must have a current ARC Responding to Emergencies certification or participate in The Fresh Air Fund's certification course.
5. At least one year of nursing experience required, preferably in pediatrics.
6. Must be professional, flexible, caring, enjoying working with children and be able to work in a structured residential setting.
7. Must have strong assessment skills.
8. Available for the entire duration of the summer program.
9. Interest in joining a youth development organization and supporting its mission and vision.

**Employment Period:** June 10, 2022 – August 3, 2022

**Compensation:** Salaries start at \$8,000 and are commensurate with experience

**Benefits:** None



### **Application Instructions**

To apply, please submit a **Nursing Staff Application** at: <https://freshairfund.workbrightats.com/jobs/>. We are hiring on a rolling basis and encourage interested applicants to apply as early as possible. No calls or recruiters, please.

*The Fresh Air Fund is proud to be an equal opportunity employer, committed to inclusive hiring, and dedicated to diversity in its work and on its staff. We strongly encourage candidates of all identities, experiences, orientations, and communities to apply.*