

PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PLACEMENT

Placement Role: Therapeutic Recreation Assistant (working with older adults)

Host Organization: Therapeutic Solutions, David Henschel, BScPT, FCAMPT, MCPA, Registered Physiotherapist

Placement Service Times: Students to interview with host to discuss availability. Placement duties will take place Tuesday and/or Thursday afternoons from 1:30 till 4:00-4:30. The exposure would be strictly a senior population in a retirement home setting.

Host Description:

David has been practicing orthopaedic physiotherapy in North Bay since 1990, at which time he co-founded Physiotherapy North and later Symetrics. During his career David has advanced himself through the Canadian Academy of Manual and Manipulative Therapists, becoming a fellow in 2003. David's philosophy is that the identification of the root cause of a problem will lead to the most effective solution. Throughout his career David has developed a treatment approach that blends manual therapy with exercise, education, ergonomics and lifestyle modification to create an optimal treatment outcome.

Placement Duties: The placement student will spend a minimum of 50 hours training under the supervision of a Registered Physiotherapist or Recreation Specialist. A variety of therapeutic recreation programming aspects will be explored in an assisted living facility.

Placement students will:

- Observe assessment including musculoskeletal and postural evaluations
- Observe and assist the therapist in the provision of programming for older adults
- Observe and assist in the maintenance of complete and accurate documents of all assessments, treatments, and rehabilitation plans clinic patients in a confidential manner and in accordance with the Health Information Protection Act and the Standards of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario
- Advise the supervisor regarding maintenance of inventory, ordering all supplies
- Perform daily cleaning and maintenance of recreation areas

Placement Requirements: This placement is available to students who have already successfully completed PHED 3106. Students with an interest in therapeutic recreation, rehabilitation or gerontology. Valid police check, CPR Level C/FA. For all clinical placements, an up to date immunization record must be available upon request. Students applying for this placement must submit an electronic copy of the following documents to the placement host: a resume, cover letter and be willing to interview for the limited number of positions available.

Number of Students Accommodated within placement: (minimum 50 hours): 1 per semester

Contact person within organization: David Henschel, BscPT, FCAMPT, MCPA therapeuticsolutions@sympatico.ca

Deadline to apply: September 25th, 2015 by 4pm.