The child life internship program at Northwest Medicine Central DuPage Hospital adheres to all of the guidelines, requirements and deadlines set forth by the Association of Child Life Professionals (ACLP). Please refer to www.childlife.org for details. Our professional internship program currently accepts both independent applicants as well as those affiliated with an accredited college/university.

Additional Requirements:

Applicant will demonstrate sensitivity to children and their families, as well as the ability to work with individuals from a variety of cultural backgrounds

Applicant will be working towards a degree in child life, child development, psychology, recreational therapy, early childhood education, or other related discipline

Applicant will be in or beyond their senior year in college

Applicant will maintain a minimum overall GPA of 3.0

Applicants are required to submit the following:

Printed, completed and signed ACLP application

Resumé

Verification of successful completion of the course work inclusive of the six applied areas of study as required by the ACLP

Verification of completion of the academic course work portion of the ACLP eligibility assessment

Most recent transcripts (unofficial transcripts from graduate and/or undergraduate accepted)

Three sealed and signed letters of recommendation (written by supervisors, employers or advisors)

Verification of a minimum of 100 hours of experience with well infants, children, youth and/or families

Verification of a minimum of 100 child life practicum hours in a healthcare setting

Application fee of $20 made payable to “Inpatient Pediatrics at Central DuPage Hospital”

All required application documentation must be submitted in its entirety and be postmarked by dates set forth by the ACLP and submitted to:

Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital
Attn: Dora Castro-Ahillen, MA, CCLS, LCPC
Child Life Coordinator
25 North Winfield Road
Winfield, Illinois 60190
630.933.7529
TTY for the hearing impaired 630.933.4833

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