

# BRIGADOON

Give extraordinary kids a chance to be ordinary



## About Brigadoon

Brigadoon Village is a non-profit year-round recreational facility dedicated to meeting the needs of children and youth in the Atlantic Provinces who are living with a chronic illness, special need, or other life challenge. During the summer months, we operate a residential camp program designed to give camp opportunities to children and youth who might not otherwise be able to enjoy a sleepaway camp experience.

Brigadoon passionately transforms the lives of our campers, ensuring that they have a place where they can get back to being kids – not patients, not charts of symptoms, just kids. We give extraordinary kids a chance to be ordinary.

## Some Quick Camp Facts:

- Our camps run for 6 days at a time, with campers arriving each Sunday and departing each Friday
- Our camp sessions are condition-specific, catering to a specific medical need or challenge
- Every aspect of our camp program (schedule, menu, supports) are tailored to the specific needs of our campers
- Summer 2018 will be our 8<sup>th</sup> summer of operation
- We are located on Aylesford Lake, in the Annapolis Valley of Nova Scotia

## Our Programming:

We run a wide variety of camp programs during the summer, giving campers a chance to experience activities such as:

- Swimming
- Boating
- Archery
- Music
- Cooking
- Fire/Shelter Building
- Drama
- Nature Hikes
- Campfires
- And lots more!

## Our Medical Centre:

We hire one recent grad nurse to join our full-time summer team, and to help us to manage the inventory and policies of our medical centre. Each week, this nurse helps to run an orientation for the incoming medical staff. Prior to arrival at camp, each of our camper registration forms has been reviewed by the relevant clinic at the IWK Health Centre, by our Summer Director, and by our full-time nurse to ensure that we are able to safely care for the needs of each of our campers.

## Our Medical Team:

- We bring on medical staff on a weekly basis, based on the availability and expertise of our incoming team, and on the needs of each camp session.
- Most medical staff choose one camp session in which they are interested and for which they are available. However, opportunities for multiple camp sessions may be available!
- We prefer that medical team members be able to commit to the entirety of the camp session they have selected, but are able to make exceptions in some cases.
- We offer an honourarium to our medical staff at the end of the camp session.
- We provide accommodations and food for the duration of our camp sessions, so there is no need to worry about costs associated with that.
- We provide a thorough orientation process for each of our medical staff prior to the beginning of their camp duties.
- We require that every member of our medical team provide us with up-to-date immunization history, and criminal record check screening documents prior to arrival at camp.

## Our Camp Sessions:

- **Camp See-Ya** (blindness and visual impairments), *July 1st - 6th, 2018*
- **Camp Carpe Diem** (epilepsy,) *July 8th - 13th, 2018*
- **Camp Braveheart** (congenital heart conditions,) *July 8th - 13th, 2018*
- **Camp JoinTogether** (arthritis,) *July 15th - 20th, 2018*
- **Camp Kedoopse** (bereavement,) *July 22nd - 27th, 2018*
- **Camp BELIEVE** (parental mental illness,) *July 22nd - 27th, 2018*
- **Camp Treasure Chest** (lung health/anaphylaxis,) *July 29th - August 3rd, 2018*
- **Camp Trailblazers** (craniofacial/facial differences,) *August 5th - 10th, 2018*
- **Camp Lots-a-Wata** (kidney disease,) *August 5th - 10th, 2018*
- **Camp Guts & Glory/Camp Got2Go** (crohn's & colitis/IBD,) *August 12th - 17th, 2018*
- **Camp Goodtime** (pediatric cancer,) *August 19th - 24th, 2018*
- **Camp Silly-Yak** (celiac disease,) *August 26th - 31st, 2018*

## How to Get Involved:

Should you wish to join us as a member of our medical team, you can find our online application at <https://brigadoon.campbrainstaff.com> by selecting the "Medical Staff Application." You will then be contacted by our Summer Director to discuss opportunities for involvement.

Have further questions, or want to get involved in a different capacity? Get in contact with our Summer Director, Tiffany MacInnis!

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