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DESCRIPTION FOR PROGRAM DEPARTMENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

ROLE DESCRIPTION

Childspring International is a global nonprofit based in Atlanta, GA that provides life-changing surgeries for children from developing countries and as a result transforms communities. In 2019, Childspring provided 694 surgeries in countries around the world including Haiti, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras, India, and Sierra Leone, among others, and has worked in 52 countries since its inception. To learn more, visit www.childspringintl.org

The Case Worker Intern will aid the Program Department in supporting children and their families through complex medical surgeries worldwide. The Case Worker Intern:

• Engages children, families, communities, and stakeholders across areas of cultural and linguistic difference to build relationships of mutual trust and respect
• Supports the assessment of children’s social, environmental, medical, and psychosocial wellbeing in the context of a medical surgery, and explores avenues for intervention with the support of the program team
• Accompanies children, families, host families, and others through the process of receiving treatment
• Evaluates and tracks progress toward mutually agreed upon goals and desired outcomes

The Case Worker Intern also supports administrative and strategic work within the Program Department, which can include a wide-ranging set of tasks that include needs assessment, program development, and program evaluation.

The Case Worker Intern meets regularly in supervision with Program Director Drew Reynolds, PhD, MSW, MEd.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS

Requirements:

• Currently enrolled in a Master’s Program in Social Work, Public Health, or a related field
• Able to be present 16-24 hours per week at Childspring International offices located in Midtown

Skills/attributes we are seeking:

• Commitment to working in a global context with particular attention to navigating cultural and linguistic differences in the context of managing cases for medically fragile children
• Interest in learning how to assess complex social, behavioral, and medical histories of children living with surgically treatable conditions, and learning how to recommend avenues for treatment
• Interest in developing plans for medical treatment for children and families, including coordinating surgeries and medical visits for patients and assisting with travel and migration/visa arrangements
• Interest in working with and supporting host families as they accompany children through surgery
• Strong and effective communicator via email, ability to present cases to medical committee team
• Arabic, Spanish, and/or French/Haitian Creole language skills a plus

Interested parties should contact Darryl-Christopher Payne at darryl@childspringintl.org.