

2025 CAMP FAQS

Medical Volunteers



WHAT WOULD MY ROLE AS A MEDICAL VOLUNTEER BE AT CAMP?

The Flying Horse Farms medical program is overseen by our year-round medical team and supported by highly trained nurses and doctors who are experts in their respective fields. Safety first is a camp priority, knowing this FHF relies on volunteer physicians and nurses to provide additional medical support, distribute medicine, and provide one-on-one medical attention when needed. As a medical volunteer you will be fully immersed in camp, stationed at our urgent care in the woods (the WellNest) and throughout camp to meet camper needs.

WHO CAN VOLUNTEER AND WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT?

We have a variety of medical volunteer opportunities throughout the year. All medical professionals are welcome and encouraged to apply. For camper acuity purposes, there is a significant need for physicians, registered nurses, and pharmacists.

Residential Sessions last for one week; campers are on site for 5 days following a 1-day volunteer orientation to start the week. Family Camp Sessions last for one weekend; volunteers will be asked to arrive midday Friday and will be able to depart mid-day Sunday.

DO I NEED TO BE A SPECIALIST TO VOLUNTEER AT CAMP?

No. The FHF medical team will provide all medical volunteers with diagnosis-specific information and education prior to the beginning of camp sessions. All medical volunteers will also attend full volunteer training prior to the camper's arrival.

WHAT HOURS WILL I WORK WHILE AT CAMP?

The WellNest is open 8 am to 10 pm. Medical volunteers will be asked to be available during these hours but with flexibility to take breaks and join camp programming. You will not be expected to provide overnight coverage as a volunteer.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Visit our website at <https://flyinghorsefarms.org/careers/> to learn more and begin the application process.

WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?

Volunteer positions are all filled on a first-come, first-served rolling basis. Note: space fills up quickly, so we recommend getting your application in as soon as you're able. We encourage new volunteers to submit all paperwork at least 2 weeks prior to the session they would like to attend.



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WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING TO CAMP?

Prior to camp, you will receive an email with a confirmation packet that will include a packing list!

CAN I BRING A CELL PHONE OR A COMPUTER?

We try to keep camp low-tech, so our campers are focused on exploring and having fun. You can bring your cell phone, but we would love if you try to not use it during your shift in camp and wait until you are on break. Computers and valuable items should be left at home unless they are a necessity.

WHERE WILL I SLEEP AT CAMP?

Medical volunteers will be housed in the WellNest or the Big Red Barn. Our volunteers are asked to share a room, but each space has a full bathroom. Towels, linens and bedding are provided.

WHAT INFORMATION DO I NEED TO SUBMIT?

REQUIRED:

- BCI or FBI background check
- Basic Health History
- Tetanus and Pertussis Vaccine (DTaP or TDaP)
- Attest to having received:
 - Vaccine Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Vaccine (MMR)
 - Varicella Vaccine (Chickenpox/Shingles)

Flu vaccine required if volunteering for camps occurring November-March

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

- Flu Vaccine
- Meningococcal
- Hepatitis B Vaccine
- COVID-19 Vaccine

If receiving live vaccines, please do so at least 2 weeks prior to arriving at camp.

WILL THERE BE AN ORIENTATION?

Yes! All volunteers, new and returning, attend an orientation. Orientation, or Volly-O, consists of multiple parts. E-learning is an online course designed to give you an overview of Flying Horse Farms and your role. In-person training is the final piece of Volly-O, and happens either the day before camper arrival (residential session) or the Friday of family arrival (family camp session). We will make sure that you are fully prepared and there's always full-time staff members as a resource (as well as seasoned medical volunteers for support).



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