



Dialysis Clinic Inc. Collegiate Medical Summer Internship Program

Dialysis Clinic Inc. is sponsoring a summer internship for pre-medical students in the clinical area of organ transplantation. The internship will begin approximately June 1, 2009. Though the program officially ends August 1, 2009, depending on the transplant center and the intern's schedule, the student may extend their stay. Last year, the participating transplant centers were located in Nashville, TN, Gainesville, FL, Houston, TX, Johnson City, TN, Austin, TX, Toledo, OH, San Antonio, TX, Knoxville, TN, Durham, NC, Charleston, SC, Omaha, NE, Memphis, TN as well as Sacramento, CA. Students attending colleges or universities in these cities will not be placed in the same city.

The internship includes shadowing physicians on rounds in the hospital, observing and assisting in an outpatient/clinic facility, and observing transplant and transplant-related surgical operations. In addition, students will visit the local Organ Procurement Organization (OPO), HLA lab, as well as observe organ procurement processes. Participants may also do data collection for the transplant service and perhaps have a chance to work on a clinical research project. Selected students for the program will participate as a counselor in a weeklong camp for dialysis and post-transplant children. The week of camp is June 6th -June 12th and is located in Nashville, TN.

The purpose of this internship is to expose the student to the hospital and outpatient environments, as well as specific areas of medicine such as surgery and clinical research. These experiences are designed to help students decide whether or not to pursue a career in medicine. There is a preference for students having completed his/her junior year and for those with a serious interest in medicine. Housing, if needed will be provided by the sponsoring program. A stipend will also be provided for each selected student. Financial aid is available for those with need. Students requesting financial aid must present a written explanation of their needs, as well as the specific designation of the requested funds. Students may also arrange to receive college credit for this program.

To request an application or for questions regarding the internship program, please contact:

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**Deadline for received applications is February 27, 2009.
Acceptance notification will be made after March 15, 2009.**