

*A sampling of PHYSICAL THERAPY &
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY field placements
available through The Philadelphia Center:*

Children's Hospital – Seashore House; Children's Physical Therapy Intern: Since opening its doors in 1855 as the nation's first hospital devoted exclusively to the care of children, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia has fostered medical discoveries, innovations and breakthroughs, which have benefited children throughout the world. Today, the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia is ranked among the leading pediatric hospitals and research facilities in the world. US News and World Report and Child Magazine ranked CHOP #1 among pediatric hospitals in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006. Children's Hospital is committed to providing exceptional patient care, training new generations of pediatric healthcare providers and pioneering major research initiatives. The Division of Child Development and Rehabilitation Medicine is based at Children's Seashore House of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. The Division's mission is to provide comprehensive, interdisciplinary care for children with developmental disabilities, acquired disabilities or conditions and chronic illness. The physicians and psychologists of the division work closely with therapists at Children's Seashore House of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. This includes audiology, occupational therapy, physical therapy and speech/language therapy. All therapies are provided on outpatient and inpatient bases. Wonderful opportunity to work in pediatric physical therapy. Medical clearances and liability insurance required.

Easter Seals of Southeastern Pennsylvania; Intern: Established in 1936, Easter Seals of Southeastern Pennsylvania is a non-profit health care agency devoted to creating solutions that change lives of children and adults with disabilities or other special needs and their families. Easter Seals of Southeastern Pennsylvania serves Philadelphia, Bucks, Chester, Delaware and Montgomery Counties in an effort to maximize the independence of children and adults with disabilities. Locally, Easter Seals serves children through an Approved Private School, special classrooms, summer programs, recreational programs, parent-infant programs, early intervention programs and various outpatient speech, physical and occupational therapy programs. Wonderful opportunity for a student to work in an Approved Private School classroom, in the Early Intervention program, or with the Recreation Department of this agency.

Jefferson University Hospital; Rehabilitation Aide: Thomas Jefferson University Hospital is a large Center City teaching hospital for nursing, medical and allied health professions dedicated to excellence in patient care, providing quality clinical settings and positive role models to health professional students, and developing improved methods of healthcare and healthcare delivery in a cost effective manner. This mission is achieved through the shared values of: excellence and innovation; integrity and respect; teamwork and communication. Physical Therapy Aide will have the opportunity to assist with a variety of treatments. Responsibilities include assisting with exercise programs, transfers, and transports; observation of patient care conferences and family trainings; taking vital signs; also some housekeeping and clerical tasks. Opportunity for additional observation in other program areas of the hospital, such as Acute Care, Outpatient, and Pediatrics.

HMS School for Children with Cerebral Palsy; Physical Therapy Intern: HMS School for Children with Cerebral Palsy serves children (ages 2 - 21) with multiple disabilities resulting from cerebral palsy or traumatic brain injury. Experienced, compassionate staff and consultants provide strong, comprehensive individually structured interdisciplinary programs and services that include: Day and Residential Programs, Physical and Occupational Therapies, Special Education, Music Therapy, Speech/Language Therapy, Nursing and Nutrition Services, Medical Support, Therapeutic Recreation, and more. Many students use assistive technology. Prevocational/transition activities as well as functional academics. Physical Therapy experience includes assessment and training for powered mobility using an array of activation devices, seating for function, and integration with all other disciplines. Vicki Vanartsdalen and Barri Alexander supervise Physical Therapy Interns.

NovaCare Rehabilitation; Physical Therapy Aide: NovaCare Rehabilitation's highly respected clinical team provides preventative and rehabilitative services that maximize functionality and promote well-being. Through an integrated local market network of approximately 400 convenient locations in 19 states and the District of Columbia, NovaCare Rehabilitation effectively partners with physicians, employers, payers and case managers. NovaCare Rehabilitation also provides physical therapy and athletic training services to more than 20 professional sports teams and 300 universities, colleges and high schools throughout the nation. NovaCare Rehabilitation is a division of Select Medical Corporation. NovaCare Rehabilitation's clinical team - comprised of licensed physical therapists, registered/licensed occupational therapists, physical therapist assistants, certified hand therapists, and certified athletic trainers - devise individualized treatment plans to help achieve each patient's specific goals. The Spring Garden clinic provides outpatient physical therapy, orthopedic, and sports medicine. The intern will assist physical therapist in daily duties, clean up, treat patients under supervision. Ideal candidates will have some experience with therapy, kinesiology, or athletic training.

Saint Joseph's University; Athletic Training Intern: St. Joseph's is a Catholic University. The role of the sports medicine department is to supervise the prevention and care of injuries related to athletics. An intern's duties may include but are not limited to prevention, care, treatment, and rehabilitation of athletic injuries, use of therapeutic modalities and exercise equipment, general athletic training room duties. Each student will be assigned a team for which he or she will be responsible; game coverage, practice, travel, record keeping. Interns will have the opportunity to make connections with athletic trainers from all of the south eastern PA area as well as the Atlantic 10 conference. Requirements: must be certified in CPR and First Aid.

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