

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position:	Chief Medical Student
Department:	Infirmary
Reports To:	Infirmary Manager
Desired Availability:	May 25 – August 22

Philmont Standards

- Must be at least 18 years of age by start of employment; some positions require a minimum age of 21 by start of employment
- Must become a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America at the start of employment and subscribe to the Scout Oath, Scout Law, and Declaration of Religious Principles
- Must provide a completed BSA Annual Health and Medical Record to the Infirmary upon arrival
- Must maintain a clean, well-groomed appearance and be willing to purchase required uniform parts to meet Philmont's uniform policy
- Must participate in designated staff training
- Must adhere to the policies and programs set forth by Philmont Scout Ranch management

Position Overview

This position is intended for third- and fourth-year medical students as a part of a sub-internship. Students are primarily from the University of Kansas Medical center, with some limited spaces for students from other medical schools with previous Philmont experience. The Chief Medical student provides leadership and communication to other medical students in the sub-internship and serves as a representative of students at management meetings. Medical students will work in partnership with the Infirmary Physicians and the Medical Services Staff to provide appropriate medical care to Philmont participants and staff in the Philmont infirmary and in the Philmont backcountry.

Primary Duties & Responsibilities

- Serve as point of contact with for Philmont and other medical students prior to and during the sub-internship
- Develop schedule for other medical students to ensure appropriate staffing for the Infirmary as well as adequate rest time for fellow interns
- Attend weekly Infirmary management meetings with other Infirmary leaders voicing concerns of interns and communicate information from meeting with fellow interns
- Learn proper use and care of Infirmary equipment at the Infirmary and in the field
- Under the supervision of the volunteer Infirmary Physicians, provide the best care possible for participants and staff of Philmont Scout Ranch
- Complete all appropriate documentation for any patient care provided
- Attend and participate in regular lectures provided by the Infirmary Physicians and fellow medical students
- Complete all requirements of the KU medical school sub-internship
- Participate in training and demonstrate competency regarding Search and Rescue operations at Philmont
- Respond to backcountry medical emergencies with Medical Services Staff

- Provide medical support and safe, rapid transportation of patients from the backcountry to urban medical care
- Keep the Infirmary work area and personal quarters clean and neat
- Assist with other staff responsibilities as directed by Infirmary Management to ensure that the mission of the Philmont Scout Ranch is carried out
- Makes recommendations to improve Infirmary operations

Qualifications/Experience

- Current student at accredited medical school and accepted to University of Kansas Medical Center Sub-Internship
- Have an interest in Wilderness Medicine, with previous wilderness medicine or emergency medical care preferred
- Attend the Philmont Infirmary Spring Training weekend held in the Kansas City area
- Previous Philmont experience preferred

Physical Requirements & Work Environment

- Meet the BSA height/ weight requirements
- Be able to hike to remote patients and administer care in a wilderness setting
- Be able to work in strenuous environments including workdays of 24+ hours and in rough terrain and adverse weather conditions

Additional Information

Send inquiries to philstaff@scouting.org.

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