

## **POSITION TITLE: CAMP COUNSELOR**

Camp counselors are under the direct supervision of the Head Counselors and Program Director for performance of assigned involvement in all facets of camp programming.

### **WORK ACTIVITIES:**

- Understand, accept, and interpret the philosophy of Easter Seals Camp program.
- Responsible for one to three campers with mild to profound disabilities including their hygiene, toileting, dressing, feeding, and involvement in various program areas.
- Communicate needs and problems to Head Counselors and/or Program Director.
- Spend quality time with campers aside from structured program periods.
- Guide and motivate campers to participate in group, cabin, all-camp, and free time activities.
- Participate actively in staff conferences and meetings.
- Assist in maintenance and care of the cabin and camp areas.
- Other duties as assigned.

### **JOB CONTEXT:**

This position, under the supervision of Head Counselors and the Program Director, lives with a group of campers and staff on location during the individual camp week(s). The counselor helps each camper to adjust to camp life, staff, and other campers. This often calls for a certain degree of patience and the ability to manage stressful situations. Individual must review all campers files prior to each session and write an evaluation of each assigned participant at the end of each session. Camp counselors rise daily with campers and reports to all meals with their campers. They are responsible for the supervision of cabin/campers during rest hours and after bedtime; to provide guidance and discipline with consistency, fairness, cheerfulness, and enthusiasm. Counselors must be capable of lifting and transferring to and from wheelchairs, beds, and in/out of tubes, pools and canoes (with assistance, if needed.) Individual must be able to maneuver over different terrain and withstand hot weather. They should be capable of pushing wheelchairs up and down hills and on nature hikes. Often required to work in a physically strenuous capacity.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Minimum of 18 years of age.
- Previous experience providing care to individuals with mild to profound disabilities or interest in working with this population.