Developmental Pediatrics/LEND Fellowship

Children’s Hospital Colorado offers a social work internship in the department of Developmental Pediatrics (DP) and JFK Partners, Colorado’s University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service (UCEDD) and Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND). The social work intern will work with Families of children with Autism and Intellectual Disabilities.

Developmental Pediatrics spectrum of care includes:

- Full developmental evaluations with physician and psychologist. Standardized testing to assess for cognitive, intellectual, and academic achievement difficulties and evaluation for social-communication and autism spectrum disorders, as well as other behavioral and adaptive skill concerns.
- Medical follow-up, including medication management
- Spectrum of mental health and behavioral treatments for children with autism and developmental concerns
- Medical/behavioral clinics for sleep, toileting, and nutrition.

Developmental Pediatrics clinical SW internship includes: (two days a week)

- In-depth learning and utilization of Colorado resources for people with developmental disabilities.
- Developing treatment plans and providing care coordination specific to this population.
- Teaching acceptance and coping with new developmental diagnoses and brief-focused identification of the grief cycle
- Assisting with monthly parent support group for parents of children with autism.
- Working with a multi-disciplinary team of Developmental Pediatricians, Psychologists, Nurses, and family navigator.

LEND Fellowship: (one day a week – Tuesdays)

- Didactics (seminars, workshops, observations in various settings)
- Coursework in Leadership (daily Aug 5-9 and Aug 12-16, 2024 from 1:00-4:00 pm) in-person, Anschutz Medical Campus
- Becoming familiar in interdisciplinary evaluations, interventions and consultation of individuals with a wide range of developmental disabilities, with an emphasis on working with individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Helping with the development of treatment plans and care coordination specific to this population.
- Learning about specialized clinical training (assessment, treatment, consultation) in developmental disabilities with an emphasis on Autism Spectrum Disorder or other Developmental Disabilities

This internship requires the student to work 24 hours a week. LEND fellowship occurs all day on Tuesdays. Classes are 830-1030am, which are mandatory. Other days of the week are negotiable.

An interview will be scheduled with you. Please provide your resume and three letters of reference at time of your interview. If you have questions about this interview or need clarification please call Sarah McSwegin at (720) 777-6869 or email at sarah.mcswegin@childrenscolorado.org.