

Children's Hospital at Montefiore

Child Life Specialist; per diem to cover various extended leaves within department

Child Life Specialist provides cost-effective delivery of high-quality child life services to our patients. This involves performing thorough patient developmental assessments; creating and implementing individualized treatment plans for developmentally appropriate preparation and support throughout hospitalization; serving as a resource and liaison for patients and their family members and the interdisciplinary team; maintaining playroom activities and supplies; and participating in quality/performance improvement initiatives. Must have a certification in child life or be eligible to sit for exam; must pass exam within one year and maintain certification throughout employment. Master's degree preferred, BS/BA, in child life, education, child development or related fields required. Full time hours M-F. Competitive salary.

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Montefiore Medical Center is the second largest hospital in New York City and serves as the university hospital for the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Montefiore operates 11 acute-care hospitals throughout the Bronx and Westchester, including the 142-bed Children's Hospital. 85% of Montefiore's patients are on Medicaid or are uninsured.

The Children's Hospital at Montefiore serves as the hub of a network of over 30 community-based health centers that offer comprehensive primary, specialty and subspecialty care to more than 200,000 children through 8,100 admissions and 2.6 million ambulatory visits each year. The Children's Hospital at Montefiore is consistently ranked as one of the nation's top children's hospitals by *U.S. News and World Report*.

Responsibilities:

- Provide therapeutic interventions promoting growth and development and minimizing trauma of hospitalization
- Offer opportunities for mastery and control within health care experience
- Provide procedural preparation, accompaniment & follow up
- Facilitate interventions for management of pain and reduction of anxiety

Qualified candidates will:

- Share observations with IDT members through (EPIC)chart notes and other communications
- Support team with all aspects of programming
- Know and uphold hospital policies at all times
- Be flexible and able to work autonomously

Educational Requirements: BS in child life, education, child development or related field, certification in child life; Master's degree preferred.

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