

Nationwide Children's Hospital Reach Out and Read Program Music Volunteer Job Description



<i>ASSIGNMENT:</i>	Reach Out and Read
<i>LOCATION:</i>	Nationwide Children's Hospital Primary Care Centers
<i>Days/ Hours:</i>	Varies depending on location
<i>RESPONSIBLE TO:</i>	Shareena Rhodes Reach Out and Read Music Volunteer Coordinator (614) 355-8655

BASIC PURPOSE:

To make the waiting time more comfortable for children and families while at the same time providing exposure to music and reinforcing developing literacy skills. Transform the waiting area into a positive learning environment by incorporating thematic based activities.

TYPICAL DUTIES:

- ❖ Use songs and instruments as primary learning tools
- ❖ Read books to children in the waiting area
- ❖ Offer music workbooks and reading books to parents
- ❖ Initiate monthly theme based activities
- ❖ Initiate music and literacy activities: simple notation comprehension, rhythmic patterns, coloring, puzzles, simple craft projects, etc
- ❖ Assist with maintaining waiting areas by organizing books and toys
- ❖ Make reference information readily available for families such as library membership applications, local music resources, newsletters, and adult literacy information
- ❖ Encourage children and families to interact together while waiting in exam rooms.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ Must attend hospital volunteer orientation
- ◆ Must attend Reach Out and Read orientation, which may be conducted in group or individual setting.
- ◆ Willingness to interact with children in a public area
- ◆ Ability to work with children of different ages in a group setting
- ◆ Good communication skills
- ◆ Open to working with diverse cultures
- ◆ Ability to work well with little supervision
- ◆ Ability to adjust communication to children's level
- ◆ Compliance with hospital policies as instructed during orientation, including rules on confidentiality

OBLIGATION: Six months / 60 hours

