



HANDI-CARE INTL.

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Dedicated to serving the poor disabled and destitute

Volunteer Postings in India for 2020 – Seeking OT, PT, SLP Applicants

An exciting opportunity to travel to India and make a genuine, sustainable difference in the lives of people with disability in rural India.

Site: Amar Seva Sangam (www.amarseva.org), located in the rural town of Ayikudy, Tamil Nadu, is an organization for people with disabilities run by people with disabilities.

Located on a 30-acre campus, services provided include:

- (1) Post-Acute Care Spinal Cord and Stroke Rehabilitation
- (2) Integrated School and Centre for Special Education
- (3) Early Intervention for Children with Delayed Development
- (4) Outpatient Therapy for Children and Adults with Neuromuscular Conditions
- (5) Village / Home Based Rehabilitation program

All services are provided free of cost and are made accessible to those who would otherwise not be able to access such treatment.

Placement at Amar Seva Sangam (ASSA) facilitated by registered Canadian charity – Handi-Care intl. (www.handicareintl.org)

Job Description:

- ASSA regularly hosts OT, PT, SLP students from North American universities (UBC, Toronto, Ottawa, McGill, Western, Queens, Manitoba, McMaster, Sherbrooke, Dalhousie and Colorado) for clinical fieldwork placements (www.handicareintl.org/Clinical/).
- Interested OT / PT / SLP applicants will be accompanied by and supervise 1-4 OT / PT / SLP students from North America.
- Provide bedside mentorship and teaching to the 12 PTs, 3 OTs and 1 speech therapists working at ASSA with the goal of exchanging knowledge. Conduct seminars / workshops for the PTs, OTs and speech therapists.
- Direct client care will occur alongside mentorship and teaching.
- Area of focus can be tailored towards applicant's experience / interest.



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In 2015 - 2019, 39 OTs, PTs, SLPs from Canada, Australia, USA and UK will have worked at ASSA through this program and their presence has been extremely valuable in client care and program development.

Requirements:

- Degree in Occupational Therapy / Physiotherapy / SLP. 1-year professional experience to be a student supervisor.
- Interest or experience in working with children and/or adults with neuromuscular disabilities.
- Experience or interest working in a resource poor setting.
- Willingness to adapt and take initiative.
- Minimum of 4-week commitment required. 8 weeks ideal. Timing will be designed to overlap with student placements as much as possible. Longer placements welcomed.
- Volunteers who do not want to supervise students also welcome (1 year experience not required).

Timing: January - December 2020

Details: Free accommodations and meals will be provided on the Amar Seva Sangam Campus. You will be housed in campus Guest House with Wi-Fi access and en-suite bathroom. Your room will be separate from students but may be shared with another therapists of the same gender if any are present at that time. A charitable tax receipt can be issued for travel expenses to India.

Interested applicants can send an email with their resume and a letter of interest to handicarevolunteer@gmail.com