

Gillman Project SEARCH® at CHOC Children's

Project SEARCH at CHOC Children's includes an 11-month non-paid internship workforce preparation opportunity for adults with developmental disabilities to develop transferable employment skills in an integrated and inclusive environment.

The program includes:

- A 30-hour per week schedule (Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.).
- Participation in 4 internship rotations, working in up to 4 different departments. Each rotation is 10 weeks long, with one week for review and preparation between rotations. Participating departments may vary.
- Participation in employability related OC community college/continuing education courses through Santiago Canyon College (provided at CHOC Hospital during program hours).

Who may apply? Adults who meet the following criteria:

- Completed the Adult Transition Program through your local school district and received a Certificate of Completion or graduated from high school and received a high school diploma
- Registered to receive services through RCOC and eligible for Department of Rehabilitation services (may have, but does not require a current case open with DOR)
- Individual and family commitment to competitive integrated employment following the completion of the training program
- Demonstrated excellent attendance in past education and/or work training experiences.
- Independently completes activities of daily living (self-care needs- toileting, eating, hygiene, etc.) and does not require continuous/constant supervision
- Willing to take public or para-transit transportation to CHOC Hospital or provide own mode of transportation

When does the program start?

- The program begins every June; the exact program schedule is to be determined annually.
- Applications become available February/March on an annual basis.

Where does the program take place?

- All classes and training take place on campus at CHOC Children's Hospital: 1201 W La Veta Ave, Orange, CA 92868

Why should I apply?

- You should apply if you are interested in acquiring the skills and experience needed to gain competitive integrated employment.
- The purpose of this program is to develop skills that advance employment opportunities, provide pathways to careers, and promote participants to succeed as contributing members of their community.

For more information or to determine whether this program is right for you, please contact your assigned Regional Center of Orange County service coordinator.

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