

Job Description for Rural Nursing Summer Volunteer

- **Job Title** Rural Nursing Summer Volunteer
- Job Summary Jungle Kids for Christ (JKC) is a growing ministry whose goal is to empower children of the Ecuadorian jungle by sharing the Gospel through education, teaching values, leadership, and discipleship. We carry out those goals through our different ministries, including JKC's community development program. In Community Development, we have strategic partners with local churches, believers who are community leaders, and local public health to empower and come alongside community leaders to solve community needs with community resources. For this volunteer, we are looking for a highly motivated individual to work with the healthcare portion of the department. For approximately four weeks, they would partner with our nurse practitioner (NP) as part of the health initiatives arm of Community Development. They will learn about tropical diseases and the Community Health Evangelism model (CHE), providing rural home health visits, partnering with the public health department, and touring a local health center. They will provide health care in the deep jungle and learn through witnessing and experiencing how indigenous communities live and work firsthand. They will also see how modern medicine and tropical folk medicine can function side by side for better patient compliance and improved patient health outcomes.
- Commitment Length approximately 4 weeks in May and June.
- Responsibilities and Duties
 - Travel with NP for local and deep jungle home medical visits.
 - Perform patient history taking, vital signs, basic assessment, nursing or medical diagnosis, and treatment planning.
 - Must be physically able to do the job, i.e., Walk in uneven terrain, withstand the hot, humid climate, and be mentally flexible. Being on your feet and practicing for long periods is often required.

Qualifications and Skills

- Minimum completion of the third year of the baccalaureate nursing program or completion of an Associate or Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN).
- Students pursuing other health professions can be considered as well (medical students, physician assistants, physical therapy majors, etc.).
- o Must be conversational in Spanish.
- o Able to arrive and leave on specified dates.
- o Agree with our statement of faith and abide by our code of conduct.
- Self-motivated worker.
- Must be flexible and willing to experience new things.

• Expectations and Additional Information

- Must raise your own support, approximate cost of \$2000 (including plane tickets).
- Housing will be provided.
- o Travel insurance options are available.
- o Food options are covered in the budget mentioned above.