

# ♥ Not Your Average Camp Experience

**Summer Sessions:** Nurses are assigned a cabin of 8-10 campers for the week and are responsible for routine medication administration and care. Nurses and physicians share rotational coverage in the Well Shell as well as safety coverage at designated activity areas. Allied healthcare professionals oversee campers with related needs (i.e. respiratory therapists supervise the nightly routines of campers with respiratory assistive devices and are on-call for any complications). When not performing medical duties, volunteers have free time to hang out with their campers!

**Family Weekends:** While parents remain the primary caregivers to their children for medications and treatments, the medical team is available for any supportive or urgent care needed. During the course of the weekend, the volunteers share rotational coverage of the camp areas. Nurses and physicians are also encouraged to play an educational role for families who are newly diagnosed.

**More information will be emailed  
1-2 weeks prior to your session.**



- **Lodging:** Volunteers stay in a 2-bed, climate controlled room with a private, full bathroom. Medical professionals share a room with another Well Shell team member. Linens and towels are supplied.
- **Meals:** Three meals are provided daily, including vegetarian and gluten-free options. If you have specific dietary needs, please feel free to bring your own food. The Well Shell team eats with campers and counselors in the Dining Hall.
- **Educational Opportunities:** Summer nurses can earn 16 CEUs by completing a Camp Education Module. Volunteering is an excellent opportunity to work alongside a diverse team of experienced practitioners from top medical centers.
- **Downtime:** The Painted Turtle is located in the scenic Angeles National Forest, outside Los Angeles. During off-time, volunteers can feel free to soak in the sunshine and enjoy the fresh mountain air.

## Sign Up Today!

**Check out the latest camp calendar, application materials, medical requirements, and FAQ on our website.**

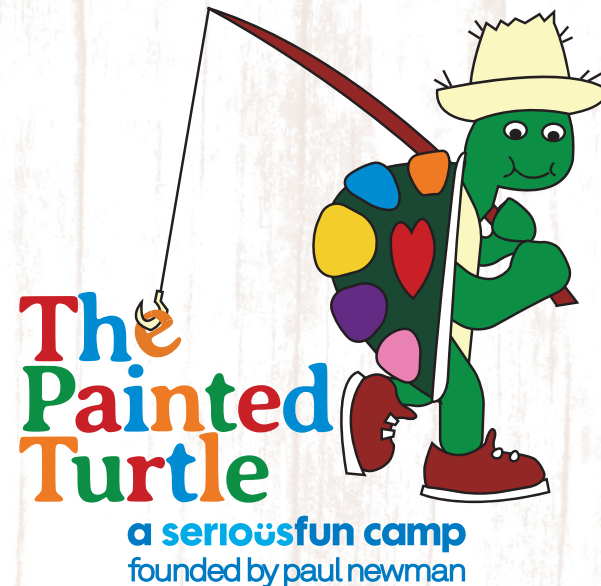
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## Medical Volunteers



*"Camp gives my daughter the confidence to be more independent, from making friends to her medical care."  
- Camper's Mother*





# Where children are not defined by their illnesses.

Since opening in 2004, **The Painted Turtle** has served more than 60,000 children and family members through year-round camp programming. We are a proud member of the SeriousFun Children's Network, founded by Paul Newman. Comprised of the finest multi-disease medical camps and programs, the global network serves hundreds of thousands of children and families.

Volunteering with The Painted Turtle is a rejuvenating and rewarding experience for those in the medical community who help make a child's dream of attending camp come true. Our dynamic, skilled medical team provides peace of mind to the children and families alike so everyone can enjoy their time at Camp to the fullest.

*"The Painted Turtle made me a better doctor, and I strive to carry it into my daily practice of medicine."*

**- Volunteer Physician**



Camp's onsite, state-of-the-art medical center, the **Well Shell**, is a 6,000 square foot, whimsical environment designed to ensure that children never miss a moment of camp fun. The Well Shell team works together to care for the campers during their stay at The Painted Turtle and provide on-site physician support at all times during camp sessions.

## **The Painted Turtle serves over 90 medical conditions, including:**

- ♥ cerebral palsy ♥ cystic fibrosis ♥ skeletal dysplasia
- ♥ hemophilia/Von Willebrand disease ♥ spina bifida
- ♥ Crohn's Disease & ulcerative colitis
- ♥ kidney & liver disease ♥ muscular dystrophy
- ♥ rheumatic conditions ♥ solid organ transplants

## **Medical volunteers include:**

- **Physicians**
- **Nurse Practitioners**
- **Nurses**
- **Treatment & Procedure Nurses**
- **Social Workers**
- **Therapists:**
  - Occupational
  - Physical
  - Respiratory
- **Pharmacists**

**All members of the medical team must be professionally licensed in California and have at least one-year clinical work experience.**

## **Summer Sessions: June - August**

6-7 day commitment  
Volunteers need to be on-site the day before camper arrival

## **Family Weekends: Spring & Fall**

3-4 day commitment  
Volunteers arrive at 1:00pm on Friday

For continuity of care for our campers, we prefer medical volunteers commit to an entire session. You are welcome to participate in multiple sessions.