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DISCIPLINE: PHYSICAL THERAPY

Past/current experiences working in the field of disabilities:

Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA)- Plan and actively participate in beneficial recreational programs for the participants with varying disabilities such as ADHD, Down Syndrome and Autism Spectrum Disorder. Additionally, design weekly activities and schedule weekly field trips that promoted community involvement and social interaction.

Shirley Ryan Ability Lab Caring for Kids Camp- Assist children with a variety of disabilities partake in adaptive sports and other activities in a fun camp environment.

National MS Society- Participate in annual MS Walks, organized my own DIY Fundraiser, and advocated for National MS Society Initiatives to local and state legislatures all while raising money and awareness about this disease.

Fond du Lac Family YMCA (Parkinson's Exercise Class)- Assisted with running the land and water aspects of this class that encouraged exercise for the management of Parkinson's Disease symptoms.

Goals for your LEND training experience:

One goal that I want to achieve during my LEND training experience is to learn with other health care disciplines about how we can interact with each other to provide the best care for our patients. Also, I want to grow my leadership and confidence skills as a future clinician, so I can provide the best care.

What you wish to contribute, in the future, as a professional/family member in the field:

I wish that I can work as a Physical Therapist specializing in the field of Pediatrics where I can care for patients with neurodevelopmental and cognitive disabilities. Additionally, I desire to act as a point of reference for the parents and their families about other resources they can utilize to optimize the care for their children. Furthermore, I aspire to be an advocate for my patients outside of their home communities, so they can interact and grow in the surrounding world without physical barriers to their success. Even though my care may be reducing the progression of certain diseases or conditions, I still hope to provide opportunities for my patients to reach their goals and achieve feeling of worth and success each and every day.

