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Overview:

Texas Children's Hospital is the nation's largest, not-for-profit pediatric hospital. This state-of-the-art facility provides primary, secondary and tertiary care for a diverse population of chronically and acutely ill children. Texas Children's Hospital collaborates with the Baylor College of Medicine to support a comprehensive pediatric medical education and research program. The Texas Children's Transplant program is the largest in the country and has done approximately 2000 solid organ transplants to date.

Program Description:

The Pediatric Transplant Nutrition Practicum at Texas Children's Hospital reviews the basics in pediatric nutrition and transplant. Topics including pediatric transplant evaluation, nutritional assessment, nutrition education and complex cases involving enteral and parenteral nutrition for various transplant patients are emphasized. Discussion among physicians and dietitians is primarily informal. The course pivots around practical experience and serves as time to receive a broad overview of pediatric transplant nutrition with the largest pediatric transplant program.

The specific goals and objectives of the program are:

1. To become familiar with pediatric transplant nutrition
2. To receive a unique training experience on transplant nutrition at the largest pediatric transplant program
3. To recognize the importance of working within a transplant interdisciplinary team
4. To feel confident in caring for complex pediatric transplant patients nutritionally

Practicum Schedule:

The practicum is a one week in person program (with a four hour virtual training the week prior). The typical schedule is Monday to Friday, eight hour days with a break for lunch. Estimated CEUs provided for the program are 20 (pending per CDR).

Entrance Requirements:

Applicants must:

- A. Be a current Registered Dietitian
- B. Be working in or interested in pediatric transplant

A complete application must include the following:

- A. Pediatric Transplant Nutrition Practicum Application
- B. Professional Resume (CV)
- C. Reference Letter (to be included in packet or directly sent in)

Application deadlines:

Winter Program: December 6th, 2024 (for February 16-20, 2026)

Fall Program: July 3rd, 2026 (for September 14-18, 2026)

RETURN WITH COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET TO:

Texas Children's Hospital
Stacey S. Beer MPH, RD, CCTD, LD
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Application Form
Transplant Nutrition Practicum



Texas Children's Hospital
 Texas Medical Center
 6621 Fannin St
 Houston, Texas 77030-3411

Date: _____

Name _____

Present position _____

Place of employment _____

Work address _____

Work telephone
 with area code _____

E-mail address _____

Home address _____

Home telephone
 with area code _____

Education

Year of graduation	Degree	Major	School

Describe previous nutrition work experience

Date of employment	Job title	Job description	Place of employment

Registered dietitian

Yes

No

Please place an X in the appropriate box.

Applicant's name: _____

1. How long have you been employed in your present position?

2. What type of patients are you presently working with?

3. What are your present job responsibilities?

4. Are you involved in pediatric solid organ transplant directly? If so, what percentage of your time is spent in transplant? How long have you worked in transplant and what organ?

5. If you are involved in transplant care, what percentage of time listed above is inpatient? Outpatient?

6. Are you involved in transplant research?

7. Do you have any educational responsibilities for pediatric residents, nurses, nutritionists, or students (type)? Explain.

8. What specific activities or topics would you like to participate in during your time at Texas Children's Hospital? Is there a specific organ you would like to focus on in your time at Texas Children's Hospital?

9. How would you like to see your present role expanded? Describe your career goals to be a leader in Pediatric Transplant Nutrition.

Session preference

Please number in order of preference the sessions that you would like to attend.

February 16-20, 2026 _____

September 14-18, 2026 _____

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