

Volunteer Spotlight

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meet

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PMR PT - OT
160 Life Hours
3 Years 9 Months

What motivated you to volunteer and why did you choose St. Luke's?

I have always known that I wanted to work in health care, specifically in a hospital setting so when I heard that St. Luke's was always looking for volunteers. I thought that I would give it a shot. I have always enjoyed learning new skills and helping people so I thought that volunteering would be a way to help people while learning new things everyday.

What do you find most rewarding about your volunteer assignment?

The patients that I have met have been one of the most rewarding parts of my volunteer assignment. But I have also learned a lot from the professionals that I interact with while volunteering. I want to pursue Physical therapy in the future so it is such an amazing experience to speak with and watch the PTs and OTs while they are working with patients.

How has volunteering changed your opinion of healthcare?

I think volunteering at St. Luke's has opened my eyes to how comforting a hospital setting can be. Oftentimes people have very negative views of hospitals. But I feel that St. Luke's has such a **welcoming environment** when it comes to employees, patients, and volunteers that it is a setting that I want to volunteer in and work in, in the future.

What are your future plans after graduation?

I plan to go on to attend Physical Therapy school and get my DPT, I would like to pursue a career in physical therapy preferably in an inpatient acute setting such as the ICU.