



Medical Mentor Job Description

This position is ideal for an adult Medical Professional who wants to consult on medical issues relevant to international travel and provide basic and emergency medical care for the team as deemed necessary. In addition to providing medical assistance they must also want to guide students on their path to becoming lifetime humanitarians through student leadership, project-based learning, cooperative learning, and hands-on service.

License and Medical Mentor Requirements:

- M.D.
- P. A.
- N. P.
- R. N.
- Advance EMT
- Attend Youthlinc Medical mentor Training

Essential Skills for Mentors:

- Positive role model
- Desire to help others engage in local and international service
- Ability to work with people of all ages
- Highly organized
- Prompt communication
- Experience with project management
- Experience with fundraising
- Ability to delegate responsibilities
- Ability to problem-solve and adapt
- Experience with conflict resolution

Essential Skills for Medical Mentors:

- Confident and calm in an emergency
- Consult on Medical issues relevant to international travel and pre-existing conditions within your team.
- Work in partnership with Team Leader and In-country coordinator if medical attention is required.
- Clear communication and explanation of health risks as it applies to international travel, hands on projects, and physical activities
- Confidence in your ability to perform basic care, first aid, or respond to an emergency in the field in potentially challenging environments.
- Ability to mentor and support student and adult volunteers in preparing and presenting proper health education as it pertains to your international destination.

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- 1. You are also a Service Year Mentor:** Please see in addition to your role as Medical Mentor the [Job Description for your role as Mentor](#).
 - a. Supervision and Safety
 - b. Support Team Leadership and Youthlinc's Mission
 - c. Monthly Team Meeting Attendance
 - d. Engage in Committee Work and International projects
 - e. Fundraising for projects
 - f. Uphold Youthlinc Code of Conduct
- 2. Team Support:**
 - a. Attend Monthly team meetings and consult on Medical issues relevant to International Travel to ensure your team members are prepared for travel and their time internationally
 - b. Attend a briefing at the University of Utah travel clinic, and become familiar with health risks at your International Destination.
 - c. Youthlinc participants are required to complete a medical information forms. Medical mentors must review and consult with each participant, or parents of minors on health history and any pre-existing

conditions that may be relevant to travel. Work with the Team Leader to have a plan for any participants that may need additional support or follow-up.

- d. Medical Mentors are responsible for the Youthlinc team medical bag.
 - i. They are responsible for familiarizing themselves. keeping items in working condition or notifying the International Service Director of issues or concerns.
 - ii. Responsible for Keeping a record of supplies use and require to be restocked
 - iii. Responsible for utilizing medical bag as necessary to support the team or make the call to seek additional medical care.

3. Education and Mentoring:

- a. Orient students to the health needs at the site, based on information from past trips and in country coordinators, as well as any other relevant information.
- b. Mentor students during the service year as they develop lessons to meet those needs, which they will teach in-country
- c. provide a positive role model to all team members of a medical professional
- d. supervise students in the teams community health committee as the teach lessons, provide direct health care only as appropriate and according to their qualifications, and learn about the existing medical system at the international site
- e. At the international site, youthlinc does not endorse holding public clinics or administering medical care. Any medical care administered should be in context of training local health professionals within the scope of a medical professional's expertise, with Youthlinc students observing.

4. Health Care Delivery and Public Health:

- a. Gather information about health care needs and health care system at the international site. Network with medical professionals at the international site
- b. Share this information with students, team leaders, and youthlinc staff.
- c. Consult with past and future medical mentors. Youthlinc staff, and Team Leaders on realistic plans to meet health care needs at the site which will mesh with the culture, have a long-term effect, and involve community partnerships.

Required Background: Mentors must be at least 25 years old or 3-5 years of licensed experience as an MD, PA, NP, or RN. Medical Mentors are responsible for the cost of their international trip. However, they can apply for financial aid and/or fundraise for their trip.