



Internship Experience Overview

Rockland Child Development Services (RCDS) is a New York State Department of Health (DOH) approved provider of **home and community-based Early Intervention services** for high risk infants & toddlers. RCDS offers quality-based **multi-disciplinary evaluations and ongoing developmental services** including but not limited to **speech, physical and occupational therapy** as well as **Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), social work, nutrition and psychological services**. Additionally, RCDS offers comprehensive case management and service coordination. RCDS has two office locations; one in **Suffern, NY** & another in **Fresh Meadows, Queens**.

RCDS proudly offers college students an **exciting learning opportunity** in a wide range of areas:

Hands-On Experience With Early Intervention Service Coordination:

- Shadow qualified Service Coordinators during field activity to homes and/or family planning meetings.
- Meet & discuss developmental issues with families concerned about their child's development.
- Assist in securing therapeutic services for children with confirmed developmental delays/disabilities.
- Attend and observe Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) meetings.
- Assist in the monitoring of home & community-based services to special needs children.
- Provide critical administrative support services to our managers & staff members.

Clinical Exposure To The Multi-Disciplinary Evaluation Process & Ongoing Developmental Services:

- Review and understand clinical evaluations and progress reports written by our licensed and/or certified professionals.
- Learn about specific clinical techniques and methods used to teach or treat special needs children.
- Identify age-appropriate child developmental milestones and differentiate atypical versus normal child development.
- Become familiar with the most common early childhood developmental delays & disorders.
- Participate in in-service trainings, including educational videos and seminars.

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Experience Our State-Of-The-Art Software System:

- Monitor provider activity and service provision via the generation of system-based reports.
- Ensure necessary medical clearances and required prescriptions are on file for all active cases.
- Monitor lapses in therapy and/or service end dates for ongoing cases.
- Assist with data entry of critical case management information.

Participate in Program Development & Community Outreach:

- Assist program staff in increasing community awareness about RCDS most current services.
- Collaborate in developing & distributing educational material for parents & professionals.
- Research organizations and agencies to include in mass mailings & event planning.

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