A different kind of therapy.

Music produces a kind of pleasure which human nature cannot do without. —Confucius

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Our Vision: To be remembered by each patient as providing the care and compassion we want for our families and ourselves.

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Listed on the National Roster of the American Music Therapy Association, Palmetto Health Baptist provides a 26-week internship designed to provide experience working with patients in behavioral care, oncology and pediatrics. The internship offers an opportunity to observe, co-lead and lead sessions with child, adolescent, adult and geriatric psychiatric patients, as well as sessions with patients in oncology and pediatrics.

The internship begins with a four-week orientation period that allows the intern to observe both Music Therapy and Recreation Therapy sessions. During the orientation period, the intern learns how to assess patients for treatment and develop a Music Therapy treatment plan for the patient. The intern also becomes certified in Crisis Prevention Interventions and in Heart Savers. Following this orientation, the internship is divided into two 11-week rotations. One rotation focuses on children and adolescents in Behavioral Care while the other focuses on adults and geriatrics in Behavioral Care. Room to room visits are conducted throughout the internship in oncology and pediatrics.

An internship at Palmetto Health Baptist provides an opportunity to work within a multidisciplinary approach with recreation therapists, nurses, physicians, case managers, social workers and mental health counselors. Interns also are able to work cooperatively with students from all these disciplines. Continuing education is provided through workshops, and attendance at other professional conferences is encouraged to foster growth.

To apply for the internship, complete an application, submit two letters of reference (one of which should be from an advisor) and an official transcript, complete either a personal or telephone interview, and demonstrate functional piano, vocal and guitar skills via audition or videotape. Once accepted, the intern must complete a pre-orientation packet provided by Palmetto Health Workforce Development. The packet includes training in safety, back mechanics, HIPPA, infection control and the Lewis Blackmon law. Interns also must submit recent TB test results, or take a TB test with HealthWorks. Interns will be required to submit proof of liability insurance. In addition, Workforce Development will conduct a background check. A legal affiliation agreement is required between the hospital and the intern’s academic institution. Parking is provided and interns receive a discount in the cafeteria.

For more information about the Music Therapy internship, call 803.296.5546.

Music is the mediator between the spiritual and the sensual life.

—Ludwig van Beethoven