Children's Wisconsin promoting workforce development and diversity through community partnerships

Children's Wisconsin believes that building the health care career pipeline starts early, with investments in many partnerships to reach and inform early learners about careers at Children's Wisconsin. Through participation in the Metro Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce's Be the Spark initiative, Children's Wisconsin staff met with Milwaukee Marshall High Students to discuss the pathway to their career. Children's Wisconsin staff also provided interview coaching to students at Bradley Tech High School. Recently, students from Reagan High School's Health Occupations Association visited Children's Wisconsin's Milwaukee campus for an immersive, hands-on experience to learn about several health careers, including in Surgical Services, Pharmacy, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), Respiratory, Laboratory and Imaging.

Last year, Children's Wisconsin began a partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee and Herzing University to offer resume assistance, mock interviews, career coaching and career exploration sessions in Information Technology, Nursing, Dental Hygiene and Surgical Technology. Herzing University provides certified nursing assistant training to Boys & Girls Club members and todate, seven nursing assistant graduates have been hired by Children's Wisconsin to work in its hospital units.

In addition, Children's Wisconsin offers apprenticeships, a variety of internships, as well as training and education opportunities for all stages of learners to gain valuable work experience. Our commitment to excellence and delivering high-quality care drives us to recruit top talent that represents a variety of perspectives, knowledge and experience. These partnership efforts, among others, are key to building the health care workforce.

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