

TIPS for Kids

(Training in Interdisciplinary Partnerships and Services for Kids)

TIPS for Kids, Missouri's LEND provides leadership education for health professionals caring for children and youth with neurodevelopmental and related disabilities and their families.

TIPS for Kids is seeking applicants for trainees and fellows for the 2012-2013 academic year. **Stipends and tuition waivers are available.** Applicants must be United States citizens, graduate students, post graduate students, or practicing professionals who qualify for graduate studies in the areas of occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech/language pathology, nursing, health management and informatics, psychology, social work, special education, or developmental pediatrics. We are also recruiting for parents of children with disabilities to be trainees.

The goal of the Maternal and Child Health training grant is to produce competent leaders of health care for children with special needs. The training emphasizes the interdisciplinary process and the contribution of various disciplines to the evaluation and treatment of these children. Acquisition of leadership and advocacy skills, an understanding of children with disabilities, and proficiency in family-centered, community-based care are expected outcomes.

TIPS for Kids curriculum offers up to 6 hours of graduate credit (3 fall semester, 3 spring semester) through core courses and practicum experiences. The majority of the course work and activities will be conducted on the University of Missouri-Columbia campus. You will need to be available all day each Friday through the course of each semester.

All selections are contingent on federal funding approval.

Application materials consist of the following:

1. Official transcripts - undergraduate and graduate
2. Letter of Intent, including short term and long term goals in the field of Neurodevelopmental Disabilities
3. Two letters of reference, one within your discipline and one outside your discipline
4. Application form

Applications are due on March 8, 2012

For further information and application materials, contact:

Amy Menefee

TIPS for Kids Program

University of Missouri-Columbia

Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

One Hospital Drive, DC046.00

Columbia, MO 65212

PHONE: 573-882-0757

FAX: 573-884-4540

menefee@health.missouri.edu

www.tips4kids.org

This grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources & Services Administration, Maternal & Child Health Bureau, Grant #T73MC00022 and implemented through a partnership between the UMC School of Medicine and the UMKC Institute for Human Development.