

Intern Testimonials

"There have been many people that have been affected with cancer in my life, and this internship has meant so much for me because I feel like I can now advocate on behalf of the people I am close with as well as the people I meet along the way. It has helped me grow and understand just a little bit more about what life is like for AYAs and how I want to do anything possible to help them in any way. It's made me a more compassionate person and has opened my eyes to the different life experiences people go through when they are diagnosed with cancer.

Professionally this internship has given me so much experience in a hospital and office setting. It's helped me grow as a team player as well as working individually and to take initiative of my responsibilities." - Jennifer (Winter-Summer 2012)

"This internship has been rewarding for me both personally and professionally. I very much enjoy informing patients about our program and in what ways we can support them move forward with their treatment plan.

This internship has enabled me to enhance my skills and knowledge on communicating, organizing, public speaking and working independently in a healthcare setting. I feel that I am making a difference by being Program Ambassador and letting patients know that our AYA team cares about them and their needs. This internship experience has positively changed my outlook on what is truly important in life." - Beth (Summer 2012 - Winter 2013)

"This internship is my first "healthcare" type of work experience and it has given me confidence that I'll be able to do this type of work in the future. It's a great experience to work at OHSU and in a setting where you can see first hand what adolescent and young adult cancer patients go through. It was sad at some points to see young people going through cancer treatments, but I was really blown away with how positive just about every one of the patients were and it felt great to be a part of a program that does so much to help them out. Before this internship I never really thought too much about cancer patients in my age range, and now I feel like I have a much better understanding of what they deal with and issues they face." - Jason (Summer 2012 - Winter 2013)