

What is job shadowing?

Making a decision about a career is a difficult one. Visiting a facility's **Physical Therapy Department** is one way of learning about the field you are considering. It is suggested that you visit more than one facility and that each visit be several hours in length. Before you visit, there are a few things you should know.

How should I dress?

Facilities require professional attire for individuals interacting with patients. The facilities require that you do not wear jeans, shorts, or short skirts. Dress conservatively and look professional. Also, wear comfortable shoes since you may be standing or doing some walking.

What about confidentiality?

Part of the responsibility of health care workers is to keep what they see or hear in the facility **confidential**. That means that you don't share patient names and details of their health status to your friends or family. Ask yourself the question, "If I were a patient, how would I want others to handle information they may know about me?"

How do I schedule a visit?

Call the site contact person to make job shadow arrangements.

How can I get more information?

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Peterson, Student Services Advisor, by calling (608) 785-9884 or (800) 322-9982.

What clinics/hospitals may I visit?

You may visit any of the convenient sites listed below:

City	Facility Name	Contact Person	Contact
Black River Falls	Black River Memorial Hospital	Barb Carter	(715) 284-1330
Dodgeville	Upland Hills Health	Sara McGlynn	(608) 930-7147
Hillsboro	St. Joseph's Community Health Services	Carol Veldey	(608) 489-8260
La Crescent, MN	La Crescent Health Care Center	Ryan Whitford	(507) 895-4445
La Crosse	Franciscan Skemp Healthcare	Nikki Eilertson	(608) 791-9768 Also contact Volunteer Dept.
La Crosse	Gundersen Lutheran	Jennifer Jastrow	(608) 775-3048 jcjastro@gundluth.org
La Crosse	UW-La Crosse Student Health Center	Julie Puent-Nelson	(608) 785-8769 Puentnel.juli@uwlax.edu
Maple Grove, MN	Saunders Therapy Centers	Jaime Eastman	(763) 315-1296
Onalaska	Franciscan Skemp Healthcare	Roy Eggart / Ben Hanan	(608) 392-5004 PT Dept.
Onalaska	Gundersen Lutheran Sports Medicine		(608) 775-8977
Portage	Divine Savior Extended Care	Amy Sonenberg	(608) 745-5910
Racine	Balistreri and Associates PT	Katie Kupietz	(262) 886-6780
Richland Center	Aegis Therapies	Amy Elder	amy.elder@aegistherapies.com
Sparta	Innovations Rehabilitation	Patti Abbott	(608) 269-0555 Innovations@centurytel.net
Tomah	Tomah Memorial Hospital	Chris Dade / Beth Arrity	(608) 374-0330
Tomah	Veterans Administration Medical Center	Todd Weibel	(608) 372-3971 ext 66550 todd.weibel@va.gov
Viroqua	Vernon Memorial Healthcare	Sarah Olson	(608) 637-4385