



USOPC
**SPORTS
MEDICINE**

SPORTS MEDICINE VOLUNTEER PROGRAM FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a typical day like?

A “typical day” in the clinic will vary based on your profession and some rotations may involve nights and weekends. Common patient encounter types include injury/illness evaluations, first-aid / emergency management, manual therapy sessions, injury rehabilitation, and practice coverage. Sports vary by location and while we do our best to plan for volunteers during “busy” times, we cannot guarantee a high activity volume.

What are the costs associated with the volunteer program?

The USOPC will provide room and board for Sports Medicine volunteers during their rotation. Volunteers are responsible for transportation to and from the rotation.

How soon after I submit my application will I be selected for a volunteer rotation?

Based on the volume of applications we receive and our clinical needs, we are unable to provide a specific timeline for when you will be selected. Your patience is appreciated!

When can I complete my volunteer rotation?

Once selected for a rotation, we will send out a list of available rotation dates. You will be asked to select your top 3 and we will create the schedule based on that. If you are unable to volunteer during any of the dates we send out, we will add you back into the pool for the next round.

Where can I complete my volunteer rotation?

Sports Medicine Volunteer rotations are available in Colorado Springs, CO, Lake Placid, NY, and Chula Vista, CA. The location of your rotation will be based on availability and clinic needs. We cannot always accommodate specific location requests.

How can I volunteer at an Olympic or Paralympic Games?

Participating in the USOPC Sports Medicine Volunteer Program does NOT guarantee placement at future events, including the Olympic and Paralympic Games, but it does make you eligible for consideration. Following the successful completion of a rotation, volunteers are added to our pool of medical providers to be possibly selected for future USOPC and/or NGB events.