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Our Best Source for Employee Recruitment is You... That's how we found these staff members.

The Boy Next Door

Growing up, Kyle Doehtam knew his next door neighbors, the Jones, were nurses at Children's. He babysat their kids and mowed their lawn in the summers. When Kyle went to college for nursing, Laura Jones told him to let her know if he was ever interested in pediatrics. At the time, he was more interested in being part of the trauma and excitement associated with an adult Emergency department—and that's where he took his first job.

Laura stayed in touch with Kyle through his parents and emails. After Kyle had been working for about two years, Laura asked him if he had reconsidered working with children. He hadn't, but she suggested he look at the positions available in the Eggleston Emergency department, where she was the manager. Kyle did just that and found a posting for the Transport team.

He'd had interactions with a few of our Transport staff when his patients were transferred to Children's, and their job seemed interesting to him. He applied, interviewed and accepted the offer when Children's extended it to him. While Laura said she would have been happier if Kyle worked in her department, she was thrilled to have him join the Children's family—Kyle felt the same way.



"I never thought I would be a pediatric nurse, but now I can't imagine doing anything else. Coming to work at Children's was probably one of the best moves I could have made," Kyle says. "The people, the facilities, and the children are amazing. I get to come to work every day and know that I am making a difference in not only a child's life but an entire family. Children's is now my home."

She Asked about the Badge

When Andrea Fuller picked up her son from his afterschool program, Lisa Shelton noticed her badge from Children's. Lisa worked for the program, but had always wanted to work for a pediatric hospital. She asked Andrea about her job. Lisa listened with intrigue as Andrea talked about her role as a Physical Therapist. It didn't take long for Lisa to decide Children's was a place that she'd really like to be part of as an employee, so she asked Andrea to let her know if she learned of any employment opportunities.

As fate would have it, Andrea knew of an Insurance Verifier opening at the Snellville location. She gave Lisa her contact information and helped her apply. Children's extended Lisa an offer, which she happily accepted. She refers to her first day as the moment when her life turned around and is extremely grateful to Andrea.



"I love it here at Children's! There is not a better place to work. Everyone is always willing to help no matter what," Lisa says. "I am now going back to school to get my degree in exercise science. Children's makes you want to be the best person you can so you can be best representative of the organization—no matter your role or department. I feel like opportunities are endless at Children's."

Small Talk Leads to Dream Job

When Scott Hurd learned that he was being laid off because the company he worked for as a chief engineer had been sold, he was taken by complete surprise. He didn't know where to begin his new job search, but he didn't have to look for long. He ran into his friend Doug at a party. Doug was an engineer at Scottish Rite and told Scott they were looking for more engineers.

"For the rest of the night, Doug went on and on about what a great place Children's was to work. I went to Children's the next day and talked with the director of engineering. When the interview was nearing its end, he asked 'When can you start?' I started working at Children's February 2, 1991."



In 2011, Scott celebrated his 20-year anniversary with Children's. What started out as small talk at a Christmas party turned into an incredible career opportunity—and Scott wouldn't have it any other way.

"I thank God every day on my way to work for Children's," he says. "Not just because it is a great place to work, but also for the wonderful things we all do for the children in our community."

She Moved for His Job, but Found Her Career

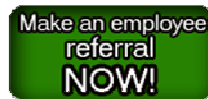
Stephanie Oprea met Jamie Hamblin after moving to Atlanta for her husband to start a new job. She had no idea where to begin her own job search. At her husband's work function, she started a conversation with Jamie. The two talked about

Jamie's work with Volunteer Services. Stephanie liked everything she heard, and Jamie knew of an open position. Stephanie applied and three years later, she still loves her job with Children's.

"Because Jamie encouraged me to apply, I ended up finding my dream job," Stephanie says. "I love my coworkers like family and truly enjoy what I do. I get to come to work every day and plan fun activities, visits and parties for our kids. Because of what I do, kids can forget that they are in a hospital, even if it's just for a little while."

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