



# SHARED

Stanford Health Advocacy & Research  
in the Emergency Department

## » What is SHAR(ED)?

SHAR(ED), which stands for *Stanford Health Advocacy and Research in the Emergency Department*, is a public health initiative based in Stanford's Emergency Department (ED). We are currently running two programs and are looking for dedicated volunteers to screen patients.

## Stanford Alcohol Screening and Brief Intervention (SASBI)

In the United States, alcohol use is a major cause of preventable health conditions that presents to EDs, contributing to over 100,000 deaths and costing society \$185 billion per year. Our goal is to screen patients in the Stanford ED to identify high-risk alcohol behaviors and help our patients avoid preventable illness and injury.

## The Help Desk

The Help Desk brings together healthcare providers, lawyers, and community partners to help meet the basic needs of ED patients. Starting from the ED, we screen patients for social and legal needs. Volunteers, under the supervision of Emergency Medicine faculty connect patients with community resources, social workers, and even lawyers to help them obtain the assistance that they need to be healthy.

## » Why join?

- Be part of an exciting new project in the ED that is on the cutting edge of public health and emergency medicine.
- Learn about alcohol screening, injury prevention, and public health research methods.
- Gain exposure to the busy ED environment through patient contact and physician shadowing opportunities.
- Make a difference in the lives of the ED's most underserved populations by empowering patients to improve their health through education and linkage to resources.

## » Who are we looking for?

- Commitment:
  - Volunteers **must commit to a minimum of 4 hours/week** in the ED, in addition to brief meetings twice a month. Candidates who can commit to more hours and volunteering in the summer will be given strong consideration.
  - Volunteers must commit to at least a full year of volunteering.
- Interest in service, health, community engagement, and public health:
  - Volunteers must enroll in the 1-unit Social Emergency Medicine class in the Winter Quarter of 2019. This course will provide context for the services we provide.
- Initiative:
  - Volunteers are active in building and improving our programs, from volunteer operations to community resources.



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### Spring 2018 Volunteer Application

Instructions: please limit your answers to 1 or 2 paragraphs per question and your CV to 1 page.

1. **Name (first, last):**
2. **Graduation Year & Major (or anticipated major):**
3. **Experience:** *Why are you interested in this program, and do you have any relevant experience in public health and/or service involving interpersonal relations? What do you want to gain from this experience?*
4. **Communication:** *How would you rate your communication skills? Briefly describe a time when they were challenged.*
5. **Patient interaction:** *What do you think is most important when interacting with a patient? How do you envision this kind of interaction affecting other aspects of your life?*
6. **Underrepresented communities:** *How much exposure have you had to underrepresented, marginalized communities? Are you familiar with social determinants of health?*  
  
This question solely helps us design our EMED 125 class and will not be considered in the application review process.
7. **Other commitments:** *What are your major commitments or intended commitments during the summer?*
8. **Fun question:** *In one sentence (or less), what do you want to be when you grow up?*

Please send the completed **application AND a 1-page CV** to SHAREDrecruitment@gmail.com

**Subject line:** "LastName\_FirstName\_SHARED Application 2018"

**Deadline:** April 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm

**Interviews:** TBD

Please contact us at SHAREDrecruitment@gmail.com if you have any questions!