

# **Child Family Health International**

## **Child Family Health International – State Ministry of Health Cordoba, Argentina Primary Care and Social Medicine**

### Organization Overview

Child Family Health International is a leader in global health education, facilitating international internships that meet rigorous ethical, safety, and academic standards. CFHI's socially responsible approach and reciprocal, long-term partnerships with communities, ongoing support of local healthcare infrastructure, US and local staff structures, as well as time-tested policies and procedures protect the wellbeing of both students and host communities. Our global partnerships with physicians, clinical and public/community health sites are established and reliable, and CFHI offers the expertise needed to administer global health programs to match academic needs.

### Social Issue Focus & Impact

Like many other countries in Latin America, Argentina has developed a universal healthcare system and invested heavily in primary care over the last decade. Primary care providers are a necessary component of providing healthcare for all. Argentine medical schools encourage students to pursue a career in primary health care, whereas only one-fifth of US medical students choose this specialty. Join this program and gain insight into Argentina's primary care network and how the goals outlined in the 1978 Alma-Ata Declaration are being carried out.

### Position Description

Become an intern at the State Ministry of Health (MOH), the entity running federal and state public health outreach and education programs within hospitals in Cordoba. Join mobile clinics run by the MOH providing free services such as blood pressure screenings, vaccines, mammograms, and nutrition counseling. Additionally, interns may work with a hospital social service department to assist with education and outreach programs. These may include monthly diabetes education groups, a free diabetes medication program, sexual health education, and healthy eating campaigns.

Become immersed in Argentinian culture and language through conversational and medical Spanish classes while living with local students or families in Cordoba. Interns may also organize weekend trips to destinations such as Villa Carlos Paz lake region, *La Cumbrecita* and other hill towns for hiking and outdoor activities. Within Cordoba city, enjoy the vibrant cultural scene including museums, theaters and cafes. Spanish classes take place at a nearby language school.

### Student Profile

Ideal candidates will have experience in or knowledge of public health at the policy and community education/outreach levels. Beginner 2 Level Spanish is required: "I can communicate simply when I am in familiar, everyday situations"

### Time Frame

9 Weeks