

Camp Benedict Application

June 8 - 12, 2020



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12209 State Hwy 18

Brainerd MN 56401

Fax: **612 - 315 - 1142**

Phone: 218-838-0886

Camp Benedict was started in 1994 and was created to provide support, education and connections through other families and individuals in Minnesota living or impacted with the HIV/AIDS virus. Camp Benedict was born out of the idea that for every person directly diagnosed with HIV/AIDS, there are those who care for them who are also deeply affected and need to be part of the healing process.

Camp Benedict provides a 5 day experience at a beautiful camp in Crosslake Minnesota. The camp setting is relaxing with plenty to do when not in sessions. All programs are planned to educate, stimulate and rejuvenate. We seek to empower those who have been dis-empowered by HIV/AIDS. Camp now reaches beyond rural Minnesota as well as the borderlands of South Dakota.

Please work with your Caseworker to assist in filling out this application **IN FULL** and returned by **April 30th** for the June 2020 Camp Session to be considered for the first available spots for camp. Late applications may result in denial as space could already be filled. Incomplete applications will be refused. If you do not have a case worker you may apply directly. **A valid email for you and/or your case worker is a must as we communicate mostly by email. Forms are not mailed by Camp Benedict, they are readily available on our website for you to print .**

Acceptance to Camp is pending until all medical and health papers are in. Applications may be mailed to Camp Benedict 12209 State Hwy 18 Brainerd MN 56401 or faxed to **612 - 315 - 1142**

Primary Applicant (print clearly) _____ Age: _____

County of Residence: _____ Phone: _____

Email (**you MUST have a valid email for communications**): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

How did you hear about Camp Benedict? _____

Social Worker/Case Manager Name: _____

Social Worker/ Case Manager phone: _____

Social Worker/Case Manager email: _____

Name of Doctor: _____

Clinic Phone: _____ Doctor/Clinic email: _____

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Is Applicant HIV positive: Yes ___ No ___ AIDS Diagnosis: Yes ___ No ___

Date of Diagnosis: _____

Has applicant lost a family member of significant other to AIDS? Yes ___ No ___

If so what was the relationship to applicant? _____

Have you attended Camp Benedict Before? Yes ___ No ___

If so, what year(s) have you attended? _____

Is your family aware that Camp Benedict is a Camp for Families infected/affected by HIV/AIDS? _____

Are you fluent in understanding English both written and in speech? Yes ___ No ___ Fair English ___

Camp Benedict is an educational camp that consists of sessions in English and documents that are in English. It is important that those who attend are able to communicate and understand the English language so they are able to participate in the full camp experience.

Emergency Contact: **(we cannot accept anyone to Camp who does not have an emergence contact)**

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Contact relationship to applicant: _____

The Camp Benedict Board is a group of volunteers who spend most of the year planning and working to raise funds for Camp Benedict to continue to be provided for free to our campers each year. All contributions to Camp Benedict are fully tax deductible and go directly into providing the camp experience . If you are able to contribute to camp in any way to offset our costs please do so by mailing to:

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Second Adult and Children Info

Second Adult (if applicable)

Second Adult (print clearly) _____ Age: _____

Relationship to primary applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Doctor: _____ Clinic Phone: _____

Emergency Contact (can not be primary applicant): _____

Emergency contact phone: _____

Have you attended Camp Benedict before? _____ If so, what year(s): _____

Camp Benedict is a family camp and children over the age of 6 may attend camp with adult. 6 years old means they are 6 before June 8th, 2020. All children under the age of 8 must have a copy of birth certificate sent in along with this application. Please list the following information regarding children attending camp with you. Please limit children to your immediate family. Note that camp space is limited and all children attending are the responsibility of the adult who brings them.

Child's Full name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

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If additional space is required for adults or children applying to attend, please add on to this application the information required. All persons on application may be required to submit the Medical Clearance information and records before being accepted to Camp. Medical papers will be sent by email if you are approved for camp or can be downloaded any time from our website at campbenedict.org. Your Caseworker may also have the additional papers you are required.

If the main applicant or anyone on this application have special medical concerns, dietary needs, etc this MUST be disclosed prior to camp acceptance. Please provide any additional information that we may need on the space provided on page 5 of this application. Camp Benedict staff is not available to take campers off site to appointments, medication pick up or for any needs. **Campers must come to camp with all medications needed for the week as well as be physically able to attend and participate in Camp sessions. Campers must be able to understand the English language in both verbal and written format. Camp Benedict Campers are required to participate in all group sessions. If there are questions regarding this, please inquire by email to sdechantal@gmail.com prior to applying.**

Please note that it is Camp Benedicts priority mission to provide camp for newly diagnosed and first time attendees. This mission takes priority over all other applicants. Campers who have applied or have attended before are encouraged and welcome to apply again. Acceptance to camp is based on but not excluded to:

1. Fully completed application sent in by this years priority deadline of April 30th. Missing information can affect your acceptance.
2. Medical information and a current medical report (no older than 6 months) is submitted by those accepted no later than May 20th. *Medical information may be sent in at time of application if you have it ready (medical papers dated within 6 months is acceptable)
3. 1st Timers and Newly Diagnosed take priority once #1 and #2 are complete
4. The need for camp by previous attendees
5. Previous camp attendance, attitude and participation
6. Space availability

Note: Bringing medical information with you to camp is not acceptable. Medical and all required information must be in by deadline or applicant risks losing their acceptance to camp.

Important: It is essential that applicants have a valid email that they check as most correspondence will be completed by email. If you do not have one yourself, please have a friend, family member, or your case worker on your application for important communications. Your possible acceptance to camp will be provided by email.

Your Responsibility: It is your responsibility to know what is expected of you at camp and what to bring (and not bring) to camp. Camp lists, rules and more are available on our website: campbenedict.org

All information on this application is only for the Camp Board and Medical support and is kept confidential in accordance of the Hippa Act of 1996. Acceptance to Camp is at the sole discretion of the Camp Benedict Board.

