



# Helen Keller Hospital

## Sheffield, Alabama

### ***Helen Keller/Red Bay Hospital***

Helen Keller Hospital began in 1921 and has grown to a 185 bed acute care facility, strategically situated in the Northwest corner of Alabama. We purchased Red Bay Hospital in 1991 and both became a part of the Huntsville Hospital Health System in 2014. Together we employ more than 1100 people including a medical staff of over 150 physicians. Our facility offers the best features of smaller hospitals where patients receive personalized treatment, high quality and compassionate care.



## ***Hospital Services***

22 Bed ED, with dedicated trauma rooms | Medical/Surgical/ICU (12 beds) | Progressive Care or Step-down Unit  
Acute Care Units | Women's Center with LDRP | Pediatric Unit | Inpt Surgery Unit & Outpt Surgery Center  
Cardiac Cath-Lab | Dedicated Women's Imaging Center *including Molecular Breast Imaging (MBI)*  
Cardiac & Pulmonary Rehab | Sleep Disorders Lab | Wellcare Center  
Infectious Disease Management & ID Unit | Palliative Care

### ***Jeremy Thompson, MD***

*VCOM Director of Student Medical Education*



### ***Kathy Creekmore***

*VCOM Clinical Site Coordinator*



### ***"The Shoals"***

The four adjacent towns of Florence, Sheffield, Muscle Shoals and Tuscumbia are on the banks of the Tennessee River and make up what we call "The Shoals".

Because these towns are so intertwined, the residents enjoy a quality of life and a variety of activities usually only found in much larger metropolitan areas.

We are located just a few miles from Tennessee and Mississippi with access to three major airports.

The area offers much with changing of the seasons-from outdoor activities such as camping and water sports to museums and educational programs.



# Hospital Information

Helen Keller Hospital is certified as Level 3 Trauma and Stroke Level 2 hospital.

Helen Keller was the 1<sup>st</sup> hospital in Alabama to receive Joint Commission Disease Specific Certification in Sepsis and is still one of only two hospitals with this certification.

Our mission is to provide compassionate, quality, cost effective healthcare services to the citizens of Northwest Alabama. We want to be the premier healthcare organization. **100 plus years of caring for our community.**

## Educational Features



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Year Students:

Internal Medicine I & 11, Family Medicine, Clinical Primary Care, General Surgery, OB/GYN, Pediatrics, Psychiatry Inpt & Clinic, Selective 4<sup>th</sup> yr. Electives

### 4<sup>th</sup> Year Students:

Anesthesiology, Emergency Medicine, Cardiology, Nephrology, Radiology, ENT, Oncology, Radiology, Hospitalist IM & Pediatrics, Infectious Diseases, Orthopedic Surgery, PM&R, Pulmonology & Urology

## No Residency Program

## Attendance Requirements for Lectures and Seminars

Attendance is subject to the discretion of the preceptors while they are on rotation. OMM labs are required and students are expected to participate while on their rotations. Clinical case presentations and didactics are every Tuesday at 12pm in the Student Center.

## Housing Resources for Students

Housing is available for short stay rotations: 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, furnished with kitchen supplies  
For other housing resource options contact: [Kathy.Creekmore@helenkeller.com](mailto:Kathy.Creekmore@helenkeller.com)

# Free Wellcare Membership for Medical Students

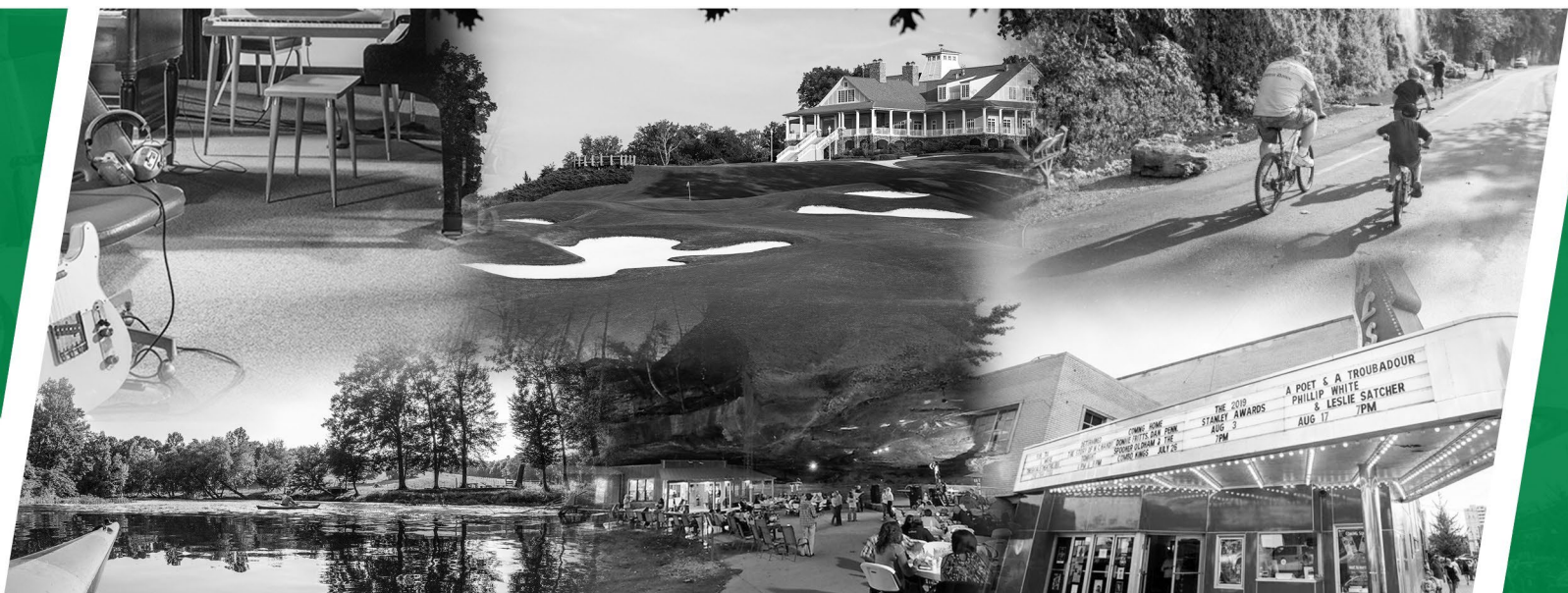
## Medical Students Eat for Free at HKH!

Show your badge in the hospital cafeteria for free breakfast, lunch & dinner

## Site Orientation

3<sup>rd</sup> Year Students are required to attend a two day hospital orientation, which will be one week prior to the start of rotations. This will include general hospital orientation, introduction to the computer system and scrub training. Students will receive first period rotation information and their identification badges.

## Things to Do



The Shoals area is full of historic places to see from the Birthplaces of Helen Keller and W.C. Handy the "Father of the Blues", to the Muscle Shoals Sound and Fame Recording Studios.

The area also offers many opportunities for hiking, biking, caving, kayaking, fishing, swimming and all boating activities near and along the Tennessee River.

## Annual Events

Recall LaGrange | Muscle Shoals Street Rod Festival | African Heritage Festival  
Walking Tours & Trolley Tours | Saddle Up for St. Jude | Helen Keller Festival  
Fourth of July Celebrations | W.C. Handy Festival | Dragon Boat Races  
First Friday's | "The Miracle Worker" Alabama's Official Outdoor Drama



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