

Time off while traveling

I am considering a career in nursing, but I have to have the summer months (3) off, is this a possibility with traveling nursing? I would always be in the same area the other 9 months of the year?

It's definitely possible to have the summers off when you travel. That's one of the wonderful advantages of traveling. You can decide when you want to work and where you want to work. Not only that, but you usually make more money traveling that helps to compensate for the time you will be off.

Most of the time travel companies want you to have a year of recent experience as in the department you wish to work. However, if you explain that you work the rest of the year and you always take off three months you should be able to make it work. You may want to include a little separate note with your application so that it is on your record.

Traveling is great and gives you much more opportunities to take time off. I used to take time off and travel to other places abroad between each assignment.

Winter time is a great time to travel. You can travel warm climates while everyone is freezing back home. It sounds as though you may try to stay close to your home town though? If so, many travelers are finding that there is such a need for nurses where they are that they can often stay in one place and still work as a traveler. They make more money, but don't really have to move around. This is usually the case with larger facilities that have a higher turnover and therefore an ongoing need for experienced nurses.