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Abby graduated from Swarthmore College in May 2025 with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She began working at CHOP as an undergraduate research assistant in the ADePT Lab. At Swarthmore, Abby contributed to research in the Resilience & Well-Being Lab. She studied personal, interpersonal, and societal factors that contribute to social and emotional well-being. Additionally, Abby worked as a research assistant in Swarthmore's Demonstrating Emotion-Environment Relationships Lab, where she studied methods for leveraging emotions and the self-concept to motivate pro-environmental actions. Abby plans to pursue graduate level studies to further prepare her for a career that supports the health and well-being of young people and families.



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