DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES
Porterville Developmental Center

DEPARTMENT: Medical Department

LOCATION: Occupational/Physical Therapy

JOB TITLE: Occupational Therapist

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Responsible for evaluation and Occupational Therapy services to individuals as ordered by physician. Provide back-up services for those individuals whose primary therapist is absent from this facility. Provide treatment and consultation in the areas of motor function and development, activities of daily living, oral-motor dysfunction and dysphagia. Also assess the need for adaptive equipment, seating and positioning systems and therapy intervention as needed.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Directly supervised by the Assistant to the Medical Director and Medical Director.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED: Occupational Therapy Interns and Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants, as assigned. May act as lead therapist when designated.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: Must possess and maintain sufficient strength, agility, endurance and sensory ability to perform the duties contained in this duty statement.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: On-going interaction with individuals in various settings (acute, sub-cute, skilled nursing and behavioral intervention), and work with related personnel. Potential exposure to communicable diseases, blood-borne pathogens and other conditions common to a clinical nursing environment. May require use of computers.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

10% Provide Occupational Therapy services upon request and initiate referrals when appropriate.

20% Evaluate/screen individuals to obtain and interpret data necessary for program planning and implementation.

25% Evaluate/screen individuals for adaptive equipment, positioning devices and seating systems. Responsible for obtaining prescriptions for ordering, and/or modifying said durable medical equipment.

5% Fabricate splints and other adaptive equipment.

5% Maintain services related records and complete cost accounting in accordance with facility policy.

TYPICAL TASKS:

10% Participate as a member of the Interdisciplinary Team and interpret evaluation findings to other members of the team.

5% Participate as a member of the PNS Team as needed.

5% Provide in-service education to students and staff. Maintain/update skills in Occupational 'Therapy.

5% Review the quality and appropriateness of the total services delivered and of individual Occupational Therapy programs for effectiveness and efficiency.

5% Provide supervision to Occupational Therapy Assistant Interns and Certified Occupational Therapy Assistants as designated.

5% Evaluate budget needs and make recommendations for supplies, wheelchairs and other durable medical equipment.

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Employee Name Date

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Supervising Registered Nurse Date

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