

# Provincial Job Description

TITLE: (022) Continuing Care Assistant

PAY BAND:

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# FOR FACILITY USE:

#### **SUMMARY OF DUTIES:**

Provides personal care and activities of daily living for clients/patients/residents to encourage optimum level of functioning. Supports clients/patients/residents in meeting their physical, emotional, psychological and spiritual needs.

# **QUALIFICATIONS:**

**♦** Continuing Care Assistant certificate

# KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

- **♦** Basic computer skills
- **♦** Interpersonal skills
- ♦ Organizational skills
- **♦** Communication skills
- **♦** Ability to work independently
- ♦ Valid driver's license, where required
- ♦ Food Safe Certificate, where required by the job

### **EXPERIENCE**:

♦ Previous: No previous experience.

#### **KEY ACTIVITIES:**

## A. Direct Care and Monitoring of Clients / Patients / Residents

- ♦ Assists with activities of daily living as per care plan (e.g., nutrition, personal care and mobility).
- **♦** Provides input into the development of nursing care plans.
- ♦ Provides bathing and grooming services (e.g., hair care, shaves, nail care, make-up).
- **♦** Dresses and undresses clients/patients/residents.
- ♦ Provides oral care (e.g., brushing natural teeth or dentures).
- ♦ Provides bowel and bladder care (e.g., suppositories, enemas, catheters, ostomy bags).
- ♦ Transfers/lifts and repositioning of clients/patients/residents (e.g., to and from bed, chair, commode, bath chair) using various aids and lifts, following assessment.
- ♦ Assists clients/patients/residents with range-of-motion and personal exercise programs.
- ♦ Prepares meals (e.g., plans, prepares, serves and cleans up), where required by the job.
- ♦ Assists with treatments as per care plan (e.g., ointments and simple dressings).
- ♦ Monitors and ensures proper nutrition and hydration (e.g., assist/feed, cut meats, tube feeds).
- ♦ Observes, reports (written and/or shift) and records physical and psychological observations/changes in client/patient/resident condition (e.g., skin/scars/tattoos, condition of feet/nails, mobility, nutrition, vital signs and glucose levels).
- ♦ Promotes the social, spiritual, psychological and emotional well-being of clients/patients/ residents, monitors and reports to the care team changes in behaviour.
- ♦ Promotes good communication with clients/patients/residents and their support system.
- **♦** Provides medication assistance.
- ♦ Assists/porters/escorts clients/patients/residents to activities, appointments, outings (e.g., family visits, court appearances).
- Responds to patient call systems.
- ♦ Performs palliative and end-of-life care.
- **♦** Assists or provides pre-operative care.
- ♦ Assists with oxygen management.

# B. Indirect Care

- ♦ Records and maintains information in clients'/patients'/residents' charts.
- ♦ Makes/changes bed linens, empties hamper, waste disposal and tidies room.
- ♦ Orders, maintains and distributes inventory for client/patient/resident usage (e.g., briefs, lotions, soaps, tissues).
- ♦ Records inventory items for billing purposes.
- **♦** Launders client/patient/resident items.
- ♦ Cleans and sanitizes all related equipment and surroundings (e.g., wheelchairs, I.V. poles, nebulizers, bed pans, nail clippers).
- ◆ Collects specimens (e.g., urine, stool and sputum) and transports to lab.

## B. Indirect Care (cont'd)

- ♦ Completes transfer/lift/repositioning and falls prevention assessments and posts appropriate logos.
- **♦** Responds to incidents that occur which may result in injury to persons (e.g., defuses violent or aggressive situations, restrains combative patients).

## C. Related Key Work Activities

- ♦ Provides occasional guidance to the primary function of others.
- ♦ Disposes of contaminated items/waste and sharps.
- ♦ Cares for pets and plants.
- ♦ Sets up instrument trays and autoclaves.
- ♦ Answers phones and takes messages.
- ♦ Performs required checks on mechanical lifts and slings and related equipment.
- ♦ Notifies maintenance of required repairs to equipment.
- ♦ Participates in Quality Improvement programs.
- ♦ Communicates and participates in emergent situations (e.g., codes).
- ♦ Follows universal/standard precautions, infection prevention control and isolation techniques.
- ♦ Performs housekeeping duties.
- ♦ Performs security checks.

The above statements reflect the general details considered necessary to describe the principal functions of the job and shall not be construed as a detailed description of all related work assignments that may be inherent to the job.

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