



Provincial Job Description

TITLE:
(017) Child Life Worker

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FOR FACILITY USE:

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

Provides preoperative teaching, play therapy, cognitive distraction and preparation for diagnostic tests. Provides psychosocial, recreational and emotional support before, during and after procedures. Advocates on behalf of pediatric and adolescent patients and their families.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ **Early Childhood Education diploma**

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

- ◆ **Basic computer skills**
- ◆ **Communication skills**
- ◆ **Interpersonal skills**
- ◆ **Ability to work independently**

EXPERIENCE:

- ◆ **Previous: No previous experience.**

KEY ACTIVITIES:

A. Patient Education

- ◆ Provides preoperative teaching (e.g., videos).
- ◆ Provides education and resources to patients and families.

B. Therapeutic Program

- ◆ Assesses and documents the psychosocial needs of children (under age of 18) and families.
- ◆ Utilizes appropriate teaching methods when assisting patients in understanding their diagnosis.
- ◆ Organizes age-appropriate programs.
- ◆ Focuses on the child's development while in hospital (e.g., social, emotional, motor skills).
- ◆ Provides emotional and social support to children and their families.
- ◆ Organizes special events.

C. Related Key Work Activities

- ◆ Provides occasional guidance to the primary function of others, including training.
- ◆ Manages media consents and/or photographs (e.g., Children's Miracle Network Telethon, radio personalities, sport celebrities).
- ◆ Purchases age-appropriate toys and supplies.
- ◆ Screens and coordinates toy and supply donations.
- ◆ Corresponds with donors.
- ◆ Maintains equipment and supplies.
- ◆ Monitors, records and reports on patient participation.

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.

Validating Signatures:

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