

Provincial Job Description

TITLE:

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(131) Speech & Language Pathologist Assistant

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FOR FACILITY USE:

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

Assists with and provides speech-language/audiology support. Constructs, programs and implements augmentative/alternative communication systems.

QUALIFICATIONS:

♦ Speech-Language Pathologist Assistant diploma

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

- **♦** Intermediate computer skills
- ♦ Communication, organizational and interpersonal skills
- **♦** Ability to work with special needs clients
- ♦ Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- ♦ Valid driver's license, where required by the job

EXPERIENCE:

♦ Previous: No previous experience.

KEY ACTIVITIES:

A. Speech Language Therapy / Specialized Technology

- ♦ Provides and assists with speech-language screenings.
- ♦ Assists with and provides direct speech-language treatment to clients in an individual and/or group therapy session(s).
- ♦ Monitors, identifies, and communicates all interventional procedures and/or changes in client status to attending Speech Language Pathologist.
- ♦ Plans and prepares clinical therapy materials.
- ♦ Participates in multi-disciplinary meetings and client conferences.
- ♦ Documents client activities/progress and records statistical information.
- Programs and implements specialized assistive technology applications for non-verbal clients.
- ♦ Constructs and/or programs augmentative communication systems for non-verbal clients (e.g., low-tech and high-tech).
- ♦ Assists in instruction regarding use of augmentative communicative systems/specialized computer programs to clients, families, caregivers, and staff members.
- ♦ Provides instructions/reinforcement to parents, family members and support workers regarding therapy strategies.

B. Audiology

- **♦** Assists Audiologist with hearing assessment.
- ♦ Assists with hearing aid or sound system maintenance (e.g., cleans, replaces batteries).

C. Related Key Work Activities

- ♦ Assists in maintenance and cleaning of equipment, therapy materials and supplies.
- ♦ Coordinates Cleft Lip and Palate Clinics appointments (e.g., Orthodontist, Audiologist, Plastic Surgeon, Social Services).
- **♦** Assists with coordination and presentation of informational clinics for clients/families/community groups.
- ♦ Prepares information for clients/families (e.g., newsletters, home program packages).
- **♦** Provides suggestions and support to families.
- ♦ Provides occasional guidance to the primary function of others, including training.
- **♦** Transcribes speech-language reports (e.g., cleft lip and palate, feeding, fluency).
- ♦ Transcribes, scores, and interprets audiotaped test of intelligibility.
- ♦ Orders/distributes supplies/therapy materials.
- ♦ Maintains inventory of therapy supplies, programs, materials, and equipment.
- Distributes mail.
- Maintains and troubleshoots client database and computer programs, as required.
- **♦** May assist with scheduling clients.

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