



Provincial Job Description

TITLE:
(195) Polysomnographic Technologist

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FOR FACILITY USE:

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

Performs technical procedures and monitors patients for diagnosis of sleep disorders/dysfunction and provides patient education.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- ◆ **Allied Health Care diploma plus Polysomnography certificate**
 - ◆ **Certified by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists**
 - ◆ **Registered with the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists**

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS & ABILITIES:

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

EXPERIENCE:

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

KEY ACTIVITIES:

A. Patient Testing / Monitoring

- ◆ Collects, analyzes and integrates patient information (e.g., identification, consent, medical history, medications, and instruction of procedure).
- ◆ Determines final testing parameters/procedures in conjunction with the ordering physician or clinical director and laboratory protocols.
- ◆ Performs various tests, procedures and observations (e.g., Positive Airway Pressure (PAP), Multiple Sleep Latency Test (MSLT), Maintenance of Wakefulness Test (MWT)).
- ◆ Applies and adjusts therapies, Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) and/or Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure (BiPAP) for patients who have sleep apnea and establishes an effective pressure for each patient.
- ◆ Scores and analyzes various studies and observations and generates reports (e.g., sleep stages and clinical events).
- ◆ Makes recommendations to the physician based on test results and observations.
- ◆ Implements appropriate interventions.

B. Quality Assurance / Quality Control

- ◆ Maintains and monitors Quality Assurance/Quality Control programs as required by local protocols and government regulations.
- ◆ Follows preventative maintenance programs for equipment in consultation with manufacturers in accordance with acceptable laboratory standards.
- ◆ Performs appropriate physiological calibrations to ensure proper signals and make required adjustments.

C. Education

- ◆ Performs patient education and instruction appropriate for out of center sleep testing.
- ◆ Explains procedures and orientates patients for testing.

D. Related Key Work Activities

- ◆ Provides occasional guidance to the primary function of others, including training.
- ◆ Reviews and evaluates sleep studies and provides feedback to staff.
- ◆ Performs computer work (e.g., data entry, back-up, admissions).
- ◆ Cleans, maintains and troubleshoots equipment according to established standards.
- ◆ Prepares, communicates and files test results and reports.
- ◆ Maintains inventory, orders supplies.
- ◆ Processes admission forms.

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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