

HEALTH TECHNICIAN

GRADE: 07

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Performs routine (journey-level) health care work; Work involves assisting medical staff in administering therapeutic programs and monitoring patient conditions; Works under moderate supervision with limited latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgment.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Monitors patients for changes in condition, and records and reports changes

Sets up and operates therapeutic equipment

Assists patients in rehabilitative therapies

Assists in implementing planned patient care programs

Assists medical staff in conducting patient examinations

Performs related work as assigned

GENERAL QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

Experience and Education

One (1) year experience in health care work; Graduation from a high school or equivalent; Associate degree or vocational training preferred; Two (2) years of experience may be substituted for one (1) year of education.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

Skill in the operation of therapeutic equipment

Ability to provide patient care

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to talk or hear. The employee frequently is required to stand. The employee is occasionally required to walk; sit; use hands to find, handle, or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; climb or balance; stoop and kneel.

The employee must occasionally lift and/or move over 25 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounter while performing the essential functions of this job.

The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

Maintain physical conditions appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities which may include the following:

- sitting for extended periods of time
- standing for extended periods of time
- operating assigned equipment

Maintain mental capacity which permits:

- making sound decisions and using good judgment
- demonstrating intellectual capabilities

Effectively handle a work environment and conditions which involve:

- working closely with others
- working in a multi-task environment

Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for:

- making observations
- reading and writing
- operating assigned equipment
- communication with others
- required to follow the Hidalgo County Accident Prevention Plan and department's safety regulations

