# **JOB DESCRIPTION** Registered Physical Therapist (PT)

# JOB SUMMARY:

A Registered Physical Therapist (PT) administers physical therapy to patients on an intermittent basis in their place of residence. This is performed in accordance with physician orders and plan of care under the direction and supervision of the Director of Clinical Services/Nursing Supervisor.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**:

- 1. Graduate from a physical therapist curriculum approved by the American Physical Therapy Association, or the Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation of the American Medical Association, or the Council of Medical Education of the American Medical Association and American Physical Therapy Association.
- 2. Currently licensed in the state(s) in which practicing.
- 3. Two (2) years experience, preferred.
- 4. Acceptance of philosophy and goals of this Agency.
- 5. Ability to exercise initiative and independent judgment.

# **RESPONSIBILITIES**:

- 1. Understands and adheres to established policies and procedures.
- 2. Provides physician prescribed physical therapy.
- 3. Improves or minimizes residual physical disabilities of the patient.
- 4. Returns the individual to optimum and productive level within the patient's capabilities.
- 5. Participates with all other health care personnel in patient care planning.
- 6. Directs and supervises personnel as required.
- 7. Takes initial history and makes initial evaluation.
- 8. Performs all skilled procedures as ordered by physician.
- 9. Consults with physicians regarding change in treatment.
- 10. Writes reports to physicians regarding patient's progress.
- 11. Instructs patients and family/significant others in home programs and activities of daily living.
- 12. Participates in inservice programs and presents inservice programs as assigned.
- 13. Participates in performance improvement activities as assigned.
- 14. Attends all patient care conferences as scheduled.
- 15. Prepares clinical and progress notes.
- 16. Assists physician with evaluating level of function.
- 17. Helps develop the plan of care and revise as necessary.
- Consults with family and Agency personnel. Completes and submits OASIS assessments, reassessments, transfers, resumptions of care, discharges and significant change in condition in accordance with Agency defined time frames.
- 20. Appropriately utilizes ICD-9 codes.

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## WORKING ENVIRONMENT:

Works indoors in Agency office and patient homes and travels to/from patient homes.

## JOB RELATIONSHIP:

| 1. | Supervised by:      | Director of Clinical Services/Nursing Supervisor            |
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| 2. | Workers Supervised: | Physical Therapy Assistant and Home Health Aide as assigned |

### **RISK EXPOSURE**:

High risk

# LIFTING REQUIREMENTS:

Ability to perform the following tasks if necessary:

- Ability to participate in physical activity.
- Ability to work for extended period of time while standing and being involved in physical activity.
- Heavy lifting.
- Ability to do extensive bending, lifting and standing on a regular basis.

I have read the above job description and fully understand the conditions set forth therein, and if employed as a Registered Physical Therapist, I will perform these duties to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Date

Signature