

# **Provincial** Job Description

TITLE: (131) Speech & Language Pathologist Assistant PAYBAND: 12

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 skills
- Organizational skills
- 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:**

• <u>Previous</u>: No previous experience.

## **KEYACTIVITIES:**

#### 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. <u>Audiology</u>

- Assists Audiologist with hearing assessment.
- Assists with hearing aid or sound system maintenance (e.g., cleans, replaces batteries).
- Performs newborn hearing screening and submits results to the screening program.

#### 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 the rapy supplies, programs, materials, and equipment.
- Distributes mail.
- Maintains and troubleshoots client database and computer programs, as required.
- May assist with scheduling clients.
- Processes and schedules clients.

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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