

# Physical Therapist Assistant

## Job Description

### **NATURE OF WORK**

Administers physical therapy treatments to clients and assists the Physical Therapist in relieving disabilities and improve the client's functional activities. The work is guided by the Physical Therapist's plan of care for the sequences of various activities. The employee receives limited but appropriate supervision as described by the Arizona PTA and Physical Therapy Practice Act.

### **ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK**

- Participates with physical therapist in developing individual treatment programs.
- Administers a variety of exercises and treatments as prescribed.
- Evaluates progress.
- Prepares records and reports of each client's response to treatment.
- Proposes modification of specific treatment procedures.
- Confers with Physical Therapist.
- Coordinates treatment schedule with therapists and staff.
- Explains treatment techniques to clients.
- Assists in processing orders for equipment and supplies.

### **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

- Working knowledge of physical therapy principles, theory, methods and their application in a clinical setting.
- Skill in providing a variety of treatments.
- Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.
- Ability to prepare and maintain accurate records.
- Ability to work in an outpatient setting
- Ability to work in a home health setting.

### **SUGGESTED TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE**

- Completion of an approved program for physical therapy assistant.
- Experience in an outpatient setting from previous work experience or clinical affiliation.
- Experience in a home health setting from previous work experience or clinical affiliation.

### **MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS**

- Licensed or eligible to be licensed as a physical therapist assistant in Arizona in good standing.
- Current CPR certification

### **SALARY GRADE:**

- Wages: \$18-\$25/hour, (~\$37,400 to \$52,000 yearly) depending on experience.
- Health Insurance
- Continuing Education Allowance
- AFLAC available

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