

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LEVY COUNTY

JOB DESCRIPTION

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

QUALIFICATIONS:

- (1) State of Florida (Department of Health Division of Medical Quality Assurance) License with all accompanying requirements.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Ability to plan, coordinate, and deliver physical therapy services for eligible students. Responsible for treating students with various disabilities, planning and coordinating services with teachers/staff/parents, preparing required reports and records, and performing related tasks as required, including screening and evaluation. Knowledge of adaptive equipment, operating machinery, tools, or office equipment. The position requires normal visual, hearing and speaking abilities.

REPORTS TO:

Director, Exceptional Student Education and Student Services

JOB GOAL

Plan, Coordinate, and deliver physical therapy services for eligible students.

SUPERVISES:

None

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

- *(1) Plans, coordinates and provides physical therapy services to eligible students on the basis of established criteria for educationally relevant therapy (CERT).
- *(2) Attend IEP meetings to assist in developing IEPs and plans of care for each student on caseload.
- *(3) Determines students' need for adaptive equipment and adaptive positioning device for facilitating mobility, transitioning and positioning; orders equipment necessary for students to function as independently as possible in the classroom.
- *(4) Trains paraprofessional staff and teachers in the use of adaptive equipment and the implementation of therapeutic programming; provides information and instruction to parents as needed.
- (5) Maintains an inventory of adaptive equipment in storage and arranges for the transfer of equipment to other therapists in the County as appropriate.
- (6) In collaboration with the district A.T. team, assesses students' needs for assistive technology; provides recommendations for and in-service training on assistive technology equipment and strategies; evaluates the success of the assistive technology program; assesses individual cases, and provides summary reports as required.
- (7) Collaborates with other staff, parents and medical professionals to ensure treatment is consistent in all environments.
- (8) Assists in monitoring District compliance and reports pertaining to physical therapy services.

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- (9) Establishes and maintains effective and efficient record keeping procedures.
- (10) Provides in a timely fashion requested documentation of student progress and therapy services in accordance with School Board criteria established for the purposes of the Medicaid Certified School Match program.
- (11) Receives and responds to inquiries, concerns and complaints regarding issues, programs, policies and procedures in areas of responsibility.
- (12) Attends training, conferences, workshops and seminars as appropriate to maintain licensure and enhance job knowledge and skills.
- (13) Establishes a schedule for therapy and identifies/selects appropriate materials and equipment for sessions.
- (14) Screens and/or evaluates students as referred. Submits written evaluations of each student assessed.
- (15) Travels to schools and service locations as needed.
- *(16) Ability to work in a constant state of alertness and safe manner.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Heavy Work: Exerting up to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or up to 50 pounds of force frequently and/or up to 20 pounds of force as needed to move objects.

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:

Salary and benefits shall be paid consistent with the District's approved compensation plan.
Length of the work year and hours of employment shall be those established by the District.

EVALUATION:

Performance of this job will be evaluated in accordance with provisions of the Board's policy on evaluation of personnel.

*Essential Performance Responsibilities

**Job Description Supplement Code 8
Lane 8 of the Instructional Salary Schedule
DOE Job Code 52016**

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