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ASSISTANT****SCHOOL DISTRICTS
CLASS SPECIFICATION****Code: 220155 MHP****Page : 1 of 1****Competitive****GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES**

Assists professional occupational therapist in selecting and conducting therapeutic activities and programs; performs related duties as required.

COMPLEXITY OF DUTIES

Under direct supervision, the duties require the use of judgment in evaluating patient progress and interest in various activities.

TYPICAL DUTIES

1. Assists in selecting activities that develop patient's hand-body dexterity and control.
2. Assists in sustaining patient's interest in therapeutic programs and special projects.
3. Assists in instructing patients in various arts and craft activities.
4. Assists in instructing persons in home care of patient.
5. Observes patient progress; maintains records and prepares reports.
6. Assists in developing adaptive devices that meet patient needs.
7. Performs minor repairs and adjustments on equipment.
8. Prepares materials for craft work.
9. Cleans work area and transports patients, as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

1. Knowledge of the principles and practices of occupational therapy.
2. Knowledge of occupational and recreational materials and equipment.
3. Knowledge of applicable health and safety regulations and measures.
4. Ability to supervise patients in a variety of activities.
5. Ability to make simple analyses regarding occupational needs and progress of patients.
6. Ability to maintain accurate records and prepare reports.
7. Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.
8. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates and patients and their families.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**Training and Experience**

Possession of a current, valid certificate as an Occupational Therapy Assistant issued by New York State Department of Education.

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