

Physical Therapist/PRN as needed

Aid in the restoration and enhancement of independent function in those individuals whose independent living status has been compromised by illness and/or injury. Evaluates and treats patients, communicates with families, physicians and other Interdisciplinary Team members, documents services in the medical record. Must be licensed by State of Michigan. Competitive wage based on training and experience. Contingent position available. Send resume to HR, Bay Bluffs ECMCF, 750 E. Main Street, Harbor Springs MI 49740 or fax to 231-526-8467 or view www.baybluffs.org and apply on line. E.O.E.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST (PT) JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB DUTIES

1. Provide resident treatment which meets their needs, and uses current treatment knowledge in accordance with the Facility or those of contract site clinical procedures. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Performing accurate, comprehensive resident evaluations.
 - b. Developing effective plan of treatment and obtaining appropriate approvals from referring physician.
 - c. Utilizing appropriate evaluation tools and completing accurate evaluations.
 - d. Communicating with supervisor and other Interdisciplinary Team members regarding resident progress, problems and plans.
 - e. Instructing residents' families and/or nursing staff in specified follow through programs.
 - f. Interviewing residents and families regarding previous level of functioning, life style, and current and future expectations.
 - g. Demonstrating knowledge of appropriate resources for problem-solving and clinical protocol.
 - h. Evaluating residents within facility-specific time frame.
 - i. Ensures MDS documentation is completed according to the MDS schedule.
2. Provide accurate, complete and clear documentation in accordance with the Facility's or those of contract sites, regulatory, licensing, payer and accrediting requirements. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Recording evaluations, monthly re-certification, screenings, daily treatment, 10-visit, monthly and discharge summary notes in accordance with the Facility's procedures and governmental regulations.
 - b. Recording treatment charges and insuring that documentation is consistent with billing data.
 - c. Writing specific, objective documentation that is outcome oriented and details the resident's needs, potential to benefit from treatment and progress achieved to date. Includes specific, objective, measurable goals.
 - d. Managing Medicare denial process in conjunction with Financial Department.
 - e. Acquiring and documenting consents/approvals for treatment when necessary.

3. Consistently demonstrate the Facility's inter-disciplinary approach to resident care. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Integrating findings of other members of the Interdisciplinary Team in treatment assessment and recommendations.
 - b. Integrating input from resident and family in treatment assessment and recommendations.
 - c. Preparing for and providing meaningful contributions to the Interdisciplinary Team Conferences, the Resident Care Conferences, family conferences and caregiver training sessions.
 - d. Collaborating with and informing facility staff in areas of resident progress.
 - e. Educating members of the team in areas of expertise.
 - f. Working with facility to teach documentation practices, which assist the therapy team.
 - g. Communicating effectively with discharge planners.
 - h. Co-treating residents with other disciplines as appropriate to facilitate resident progress and uses knowledge/expertise from other team members.
4. Contribute to professional development of self and others. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Utilize continuing education assistance to achieve targeted quality improvements.
 - b. Interact with peers when appropriate.
 - c. Presenting effectively at weekly team conferences, facility in-services and professional conferences.
 - c. Maintain state-of-the-art body of knowledge in areas of clinical expertise through seminars, professional journals and peers.
5. Aid in building and maintaining the Facility's reputation as a professional member of staff. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Consistently demonstrating the Facility's core values in interactions with co-workers, residents and families, with all other persons involved with the resident's care, and the general public.
 - b. Consistently demonstrating professional standards as outlined in the Facility's Employee Handbook.
 - c. Contribute to a positive work team by sharing information, using problem-solving methods and accepting new ideas, criticism or advice from others.
 - d. Actively participating in and supporting marketing activities as requested.
 - e. Demonstrating superior customer service through courtesy, consistent follow-up and positive communication.
 - f. Demonstrating innovative, productive and cost-effective use of non-patient care hours.
6. Demonstrates safe working practices. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Identifying and correcting safety hazards or notifying the Safety Committee so that safety hazards will be immediately remedied.
 - b. Maintaining equipment in safe working order.
 - c. Maintaining work areas in a safe and orderly fashion.
 - d. Using proper body mechanics during treatments of residents and during support activities.
 - e. Attending and participating in all facility and department safety meetings.
 - f. Using universal safety precautions.
 - g. Wearing appropriate safety equipment.
7. Performs all other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS

An employee in this class should have the equivalent of the following knowledge, training and experience:

Understanding of the principles of physical modalities employed in physical therapy.

Knowledge of use of prosthetic and orthotic devices, ambulatory aides, assistive and resistive devices and training.

Communication skills to include diplomacy, good judgment and other interpersonal skills. Excellent verbal and written communication skills are necessary.

Ability to work with all types and levels of staff, residents, and families.

Required training and experience includes Bachelor's or Master's Degree in Physical Therapy from an accredited university. Two to three years experience in a skill nursing facility rehab environment preferred. Current Physical Therapist License for State of Michigan.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUTHORITY

Position reports to: Director of Therapy Services

Position Supervises: P.T. Assistants if applicable

SUMMARY OF OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURES:

Blood-Borne Pathogens: The employee signing this job description **may have a reasonably anticipated risk** of exposure to blood borne pathogens; but not limited to blood and / or other infectious material, as the result of duties required to perform his / her job.