

Job Description

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TITLE: Respiratory Therapist

REPORTS TO: Branch Manager.

SUPERVISES: NONE

EXPECTATION OF WORK HOURS: Full Time

DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Comply with all applicable company policies, procedures, and patient protocols. Comply with all current government regulations and professional standards respecting patient care.
2. Participate in educational and professional programs and/or review professional literature on an ongoing basis to maintain knowledge and competency in current and developing techniques, professional standards, and the HME products and services offered by the Branch.
3. Educate patients in proper use and care of respiratory equipment in the home setting.
4. Educate fellow Branch employees on the features and benefits of respiratory equipment as well as applicable safety factors as requested.
5. Maintain rapport with ordering physicians. Inform the physicians and pertinent others of the changes in the patient's condition/status through visit reports and telephone communication.
6. Assist in resolving patient equipment problems under emergency conditions.
7. Develop technical knowledge of the respiratory products/services provided by the Branch and be able to provide information of same to others upon request.
8. Assist with preventive maintenance, required service checks, and patient/environmental assessment on home respiratory equipment during scheduled visits to patients.
9. Assume on-call responsibilities during non-business hours in accordance with company policy.
10. Maintain, update, and implement patients' plan of care, clinical plan of care, and records according to Company policy.
11. Monitor respiratory supply levels and place appropriate orders as approved by the Branch Manager.
12. Assist with implementation of quality improvement program to meet company and accreditation standards.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Experience in HME or Home Health industry preferred or equivalent experience in respiratory therapy.
2. Effective verbal and written communication skills

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REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE/EXPERIENCE: Knowledge of Respiratory Therapy and related HME equipment.

REQUIRED LICENSE/CERTIFICATION: CRTT, RRT, with state license if required, or licensed nurse with equivalent experience.

COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS: Respiratory Therapist Competency

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

1. Sitting, standing, walking at desk, in office throughout facility and in and out of patient's homes
2. Drive and operate automobile.
3. Operation of office machinery and HME equipment
4. Occasionally lift/move items up to 40 pounds
5. Visual abilities to include reading, distance vision and peripheral vision

I have received this job description. I believe I am fully capable of performing all items and task listed above and meet all the necessary qualifications.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____