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Recreation Therapist - Degree

Posting #: GO-00549976
Position #: 178024
Posted Date: October 23, 2018 17:00 CST
Closing Date: November 02, 2018 23:59 CST
Type: Permanent Full Time
City/Town: Saskatoon
Facility: Parkridge Centre
Department: Therapeutic Recreation
Expected Start Date: November 04, 2018
FTE: 1.0
Shift Information: Days, Evenings
Hours of Work: In a 3 week rotation: 14 shifts of 8.00 hours
Salary or Pay Band: $34.536 to $42.229 (5 step range)
Number of Positions: 1

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is the largest employer in Saskatchewan, employing over 43,000 staff in a dynamic healthcare environment.

The Saskatchewan Health Authority is committed to providing coordinated quality services that are seamless, safe and patient-centred.

Note to Internal applicants. To ensure your application is received and you are included in the applicant list, please submit your resume and cover letter via Gateway Online or (former RQHR only) Health Careers in Saskatchewan.

By submitting your application, you consent to your application history being shared with Human Resources and the applicable hiring managers.

Job Summary:
Within the context of a client-centered care model, in accordance with established standards of professional practice, and the vision, mission and values of the Saskatoon Health Region, the Staff Recreation Therapist works as a member of the collaborative health care team and provides Recreation Therapy services with specific clients and/or client groups. Patient safety is a priority and a responsibility shared by all SHR staff and as such, the requirement to continuously improve quality and safety is inherent in all aspects of this position. The Staff Recreation Therapist utilizes a strengths approach to practice with a focus on enhancing life-long leisure skills and attitudes, eliminating barriers to leisure and optimizing leisure participation for clients with chronic illness or disabling conditions. The clinical role and function of a Staff Recreation Therapist includes assessment, intervention planning, utilization of evidence informed interventions, evaluation and documentation of Recreation Therapy services. Services are provided to groups or individuals in inpatient, outpatient or community settings, relating to the client’s leisure needs, interests and abilities and overall treatment plan. The Recreation Therapist is responsible to oversee the delivery of the overall Recreation Therapy service for a program or team and supervise Recreation Coordinators and Therapy Assistants where applicable. The Recreation Therapist works within the standards and competencies as outlined by the Canadian Therapeutic Recreation Association Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics.

Experience:
Experience working with an individual with a diagnosis is considered an asset.

Qualifications:

Required Qualifications

CPR certification
Registered with or eligible for registration with the Canadian Therapeutic Recreation Association and Saskatchewan Association of Recreation Professionals
Requires a Bachelor’s Degree in Recreation and Leisure Studies, Major Therapeutic Recreation, Bachelor’s Degree in Sport and Recreation, Major Therapeutic Recreation, Bachelor of Therapeutic Recreation

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

Ability to collect, record and report comprehensive client information accurately in verbal, written and electronic formats in accordance with professional standards and guidelines
Ability to establish and maintain collaborative relationships with clients, families, inter-professional teams and community service providers in the development and delivery of safe and effective Recreation Therapy services
Ability to work independently and as a member of a multi-disciplinary team
Adheres to policy, procedures and standards of conduct at all times
Computer skills including Microsoft Office word processing and spreadsheets, email and internet
Current knowledge of community leisure service delivery system, disability resources and techniques for adaptation to equipment and activities
Demonstrated ability to apply a systematic approach to solving problems, effectively resolving conflict and adapting to changing conditions
Demonstrated ability to research and analyze Recreation Therapy theories and practices to enhance professional efficacy and contribute to the development of the profession
Demonstrated ability to use a variety of interventions/programs to improve physical, cognitive, social, emotional and behavioral abilities and independence in life activities and leisure functioning
Demonstrated commitment to continuing professional development
Demonstrated knowledge and skills in Recreation Therapy assessment and treatment of individuals with chronic illness or disabling conditions
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- Possess knowledge and understanding of work with marginalized populations and an understanding and sensitivity to aboriginal and cross-cultural issues
- Requires coping skills to work with residents/patients dealing with stress, role loss and other psychosocial issues
- Requires initiative and judgment to plan implement and modify treatment programs according to client and program needs
- Strong personal and professional commitment to health promotion and the ability to teach and empower clients to take responsibility for their own health
- Well versed in medical terminology and familiarity with the Health Information Privacy Act

**Other Information**
- Preference for this position will be given to HSAS members in accordance with the terms and conditions of the SAHO/HSAS Collective Agreement. HSAS seniority within the Saskatchewan Health Authority will be considered under the Selection Criteria.