

Class Concept

Work in this class involves the supervision and administration of a smaller size department of physical therapy in a State institution, hospital, or local agency; or employee may function as an assistant supervisor within a State institution. Employee is responsible for planning, developing, coordinating, and administering or assisting with, all activities within a physical therapy department. Work involves the determination of the extent and nature of physical therapy services needed, implementing these services, participation in clinical training programs for student interns, and the development and supervision of in-service training programs for subordinate staff. Work is performed under the general supervision of medical, non-medical, or rehabilitation director and is reviewed and evaluated through periodic conferences and reports and as evidenced by program effectiveness.

Recruitment Standards

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Basic knowledge of public health principles and practices.
- Considerable knowledge of physical therapy principles, techniques, methods, modalities, and their proper application.
- Ability to instruct and supervise subordinate staff members, student interns, and other medical personnel in physical therapy methods and techniques.
- Ability to plan and conduct staff conferences and in-service training programs for subordinate staff. Ability to prepare and evaluate reports, medical histories, and departmental records.
- Ability to communicate and work effectively with patients, patients' families, medical, nursing, and other professional personnel and to deal tactfully with the public.

Minimum Education and Experience

Licensed as a Physical Therapist in the State of North Carolina and two years of experience as a physical therapist.