## Class Concept

Work in this class involves the supervision and administration of a medium size department of physical therapy with a variety of services and programs in an institution. Employee is responsible for planning, developing, coordinating, and administering all activities within a physical therapy department. The department may include other professional services or close coordination with other services. 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.
- Thorough 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 coordinate department activities.
- Ability to prepare and evaluate reports, medical histories, and departmental records
- Ability to communicate and work effectively with patients, patients' families, medics 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 three years of experience as a physical therapist; including one year as a supervisor.