

## School Nurse - Nurse Practitioner

### POSITION:

Serves as a School Nurse include providing services to students/children aged pre-school to 22 years of age through health assist support. Services as a Nurse Practitioner include executing all functions related to the primary health care needs of children in the community in which the school based clinic is located.

### RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provide primary care health services to children years according to Rowland Unified School District's clinic procedures and protocols under the supervision of a physician preceptor.
- Conduct physical examinations to assess students' hearing, vision, scoliosis and others.
- Examine students for illness, injury and medical emergency; administer first aid as necessary; document and report unusual or critical cases to appropriate authorities.
- Monitor and train staff in specialized physical health care procedures; teach a variety of health-related topics on a one-to-one or group basis; conduct parent conferences and counseling related to health issues as necessary.
- Provide health information and services to students regarding such issues as medications and health care procedures; provide information to school site personnel within the District; communicate with parents, physicians, specialists, physical therapists, and health service agencies.
- Process paperwork to assure students receive physical exams, immunizations and other examinations and require follow-up care; prepare and maintain various health and other related files, records and reports according to established procedures; assure compliance with State mandates related to health care.
- Operate a variety of specialized health service office equipment, such as stethoscope, electronic thermometer, scoliometer, ophthalmoscope, otoscope, audiometer, and copier.
- Refer students, parents or guardians to appropriate community resources for recommended health service programs.
- Participate as a member of IEP teams as needed; provided input to IEP's; observe and assess student progress; prepare reports as necessary.
- Provide in-service training to District personnel regarding specialized physical health care, communicable diseases and other health concerns.
- Serve on various school committees and attend meetings as assigned.
- Train and supervise health assistants, specialized health care providers, and or District staff in providing health services to students.
- Perform related duties as assigned.

### QUALIFICATIONS:

#### Knowledge of:

- IEP requirements.
- Pediatric or Family Nurse Practitioner scope of practice in pediatrics.
- Medication effects and proper administration procedures.
- Genetic and environment disorders, which effect cognitive, motor, visual, and auditory development.
- Modern medical terminology, equipment and techniques.
- Accepted methods and principles of personal hygiene.
- Diagnostic methods for medical conditions and diseases.
- Accepted screening/testing techniques for hearing, vision, scoliosis and other screenings.
- Interpersonal skills using tact, patience and courtesy.
- Oral and written communication skills.
- Public health agencies and local health care resources.
- Health and safety regulations, mandates, policies and regulations pertaining to a comprehensive student health program.
- Modern office practices, procedures and equipment.
- Record-keeping techniques.
- Computer functions including data entry and email processes.

Ability to:

- Provide independent patient care services under the medical direction of a physician preceptor.
- Make Clinical judgments in an effective and efficient manner.
- Work with school aged children.
- Perform technical duties related to assigned components of the IEP program.
- Analyze situations accurately and adopt an effective course of action during routine and emergency situations.
- Train and provide health information to parents, students and staff.
- Prepare and deliver oral presentations regarding health and safety issues and communicable diseases.
- Identify various health needs, and unusual and critical cases such as child abuse, and recommend appropriate action.
- Maintain records and prepare comprehensive reports according to established District rules, regulations and State mandates.
- Screen students for vision, hearing, scoliosis, and other problems.
- Counsel and provide health related information to parents of school-aged students.
- Establish and maintain files, records, reports, and referrals.
- Understand and carry out oral and written directions.
- Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain cooperative working relationships.

#### EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Bachelor's degree in Nursing or closely related field, graduate of a Nurse Practitioner program which conforms to the California Board of Registered Nursing Standards as specified in Section 1484. Meets the requirements for hold out as a nurse practitioner as defined in Section 1482, Nurse Practice Act, Business and Professions Code.

#### REQUIRED CERTIFICATION/S:

Current California Registered Nurse License, current California Pediatric or Family Nurse Practitioner license, and current First Aid/CPR certificate. Current California Nurse Practitioner Furnishing Number (must be obtained within six months of employment). A valid California Health Services Credential.

#### LICENSES, CREDENTIALS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

A valid California driver's license and insurability with the District's liability carrier.