

# Physical Therapy Assistant

Reports to: Physical Therapist

## Responsibilities:

- Assists the physical therapist in evaluations of the level of function of the patient.
- Prepares clinical and progress notes.
- Helps develop the plan of treatment (revising as necessary)
- Advises and consults with the family and other agency personnel.
- Observes, records, and reports any changes in the patient's condition.
- Educates the patient/family and agency personnel in use of equipment and home therapy programs.
- Assists with the rehabilitation of patients according to the plan of care.
- Participates in case conference (when needed) and in-services.
- Communicates effectively with all providing care.
- Ensures quality care.
- Confirms on a weekly basis the scheduling of visits with the physical therapist to coordinate necessary visits with other personnel.
- The physical therapy assistant is responsible for notifying the physical therapist of absences due to illness, emergency leave, normal vacation or professional meetings that may affect service to the agency and the physical therapist.

## Qualifications:

Must graduate from a Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education-accredited physical therapist assistant education program and pass a state administered national exam to obtain licensure or certification in most states.

**Job Type:** PRN-As needed

## License:

Physical Therapy Assistant

## Required work authorization:

United States