

CLASS TITLE: SENIOR NURSING CARE EVALUATOR

Class Code: 02892300
Pay Grade: 23A
EO: B

CLASS DEFINITION:

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: To conduct inspections and surveys of health care facilities to evaluate the nursing care provided and to insure compliance with state and federal standards and regulations for the determination of initial or continued eligibility for state licensure and federal certification; and to do related work as required.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Works under the general supervision of a superior work is reviewed upon completion for conformance to policies, rules and regulations and compliance with assignments and instructions.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED: When directed, to supervise the work of various personnel assigned to assist in inspections and surveys.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED:

To conduct inspections and surveys of health care facilities to evaluate the nursing care provided and to insure compliance with state and federal standards and regulations for the determination of initial or continued eligibility for state licensure and federal certification.

To observe the nursing care provided at health care facilities in order to determine its adequacy in all areas.

To review nursing care staffing patterns and personnel qualifications to insure adequate staffing, proper personnel standards and patient care policies.

To review medical records of patients and insure that proper nursing care, medication and treatment is given to the patient in accordance with physicians' orders.

As required, to review other areas at health care facilities such as health, sanitation, dietary and any conditions immediately affecting the patients.

To talk to patients and observe general attitudes toward the facility, carefully observing whether there are common complaints and checking out their validity.

To prepare reports and, at time, to supervise their preparation related to the survey findings, noting deficiencies or discrepancies, especially in the area of nursing care standards.

To explain deficiencies or discrepancies to officials of facilities and recommend ways to eliminate said deficiencies or discrepancies.

To perform follow-up investigations to insure that proper corrections are made.

To confer with officials of facilities and make them aware of medical and social resources within the state and assist in developing additional medical resources.

To do related work as required.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT:

KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS AND CAPACITIES: A thorough knowledge of modern approved nursing practices and methods; a thorough knowledge of state and federal laws and regulations relative to the licensing, regulation and inspection of health care facilities and the ability to interpret such laws, rules and regulations; a thorough knowledge of standards for nursing care and the ability to apply these standards in conducting surveys; a thorough knowledge of social and human relationships, problems and needs in dealing with aged and convalescent persons; the ability to prepare reports containing findings, analyses, conclusions and recommendations; the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships

with officials of said facilities and assist them by providing advice and guidance; the ability to supervise and coordinate the work of subordinates; and related capacities and abilities.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

Education: Such as may have been gained through: graduation from an accredited school of Nursing; and

Experience: Such as may have been gained through: employment as an inspector of health facilities such as Nursing convalescent or homes for the aged.

Or, any combination of education and experience that shall be substantially equivalent to the above education and experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: At the time of appointment, must meet nursing registration requirements as required by Rhode Island law and regulations and must maintain such requirements as a condition of employment.

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