

# River House Adult Day Center Job Description

# **Program Nurse**

**Function:** Assess, monitor and coordinate the health of the clients

Reports to: Health Manager

### Responsible for:

### **Health Program:**

Provide health and nutrition education to clients

Obtain history, physical exam report and orders from client's private physician on admission and every six months and as needed

Administer clients' medications and provide treatments

Supervise diets as prescribed and monitor nutritional status

Develop an individual multi-disciplinary care plan for each client within 30 days of admission Maintain records on clients

Monitor client vital signs and weight

Assign daily rehabilitation programs and assure they are carried out as specified in the individual plan of care

Administer emergency care and refer clients for appropriate follow up

Coordinate personal care services as specified in the individual plan of care

Complete and record Mini-Mentals, Levels of Care and monthly progress notes

### Family & Caregiver Support:

Work with families of clients on health matters as appropriate

### Community:

Maintain a positive relationship between River House and community health agencies senior agencies, long term care facilities and health professionals

## Personnel:

Supervise staff in health-related functions Prepare assignments and supervise health staff Provide input for the evaluation of direct reports after three months of employment and on an annual basis Provide in-service for staff at least monthly

## Other:

Maintain a high level of "customer care" for all clients and families Maintain a therapeutic, safe, orderly and secure environment at all times Maintain safety surveillance at all times Attend staff meetings as required Participate in staff education and training programs, as required, including CACFP Ensure completion of monthly fire drills, fire extinguisher inspections and annual fire marshal inspections and record in log Monitor housekeeping and maintenance for the facility Projects and other duties, as assigned

#### Performance Standards:

Actively support the philosophy, goals and objectives of River House Demonstrate respect for and commitment to the needs of the clients and their caregivers Demonstrate the ability to work productively as part of the therapeutic team Respect the confidentiality of clients, caregivers and the River House program

#### **Qualifications:**

Degree in nursing, R.N. with two years experience in gerontology or community nursing Licensed in the State of Connecticut Show compassion and sensitivity when working with the clients Understand and appreciate the needs of the clients and caregivers Willingness to accept responsibility Ability to communicate effectively with program staff, clients, and caregivers Show organizational and leadership skills Ability to organize and keep accurate records

**Employee Signature** 

Date

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