

DEVELOPMENTAL ENRICHMENT CENTERS JOB DESCRIPTION

JOB IDENTIFICATION:

POSITION TITLE: **Direct Support Professional (DSP) – RESPITE CARE**
PROGRAM: Home and Community Based Services
CLASSIFICATION: Non-Exempt
WORK HOURS: Scheduled by Primary Care Provider and per authorization
REPORTS TO: Executive Director

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

Provide short-term care to relieve the un-paid caregiver. This service includes supervision of the individual while meeting their social, emotional, and physical needs. Services provided may consist of assistance with prescribed medications, providing necessary first aide, meal preparation, and transportation support.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be 25 year of age or older and have completed High School
- Current CPR/First Aide Certification
- Fingerprint clearance card and notarized criminal record declaration statement,
- Principles in Care Giving Training Certification

DUTIES / RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. All employees are expected to acknowledge and practice Developmental Enrichment Centers Core Values.
2. Depending on the needs of each client, all or some of the following personal services are to be provided:
 - a. Assistance with self care skills: i.e. bathing, toileting, feeding, dressing,
 - b. Ensure the client receives all prescribed medications in the ordered dose and time.
 - c. Administer First Aid and give appropriate attention to injury or illness.
 - d. Prepare food to meet daily nutritional needs including and prescribed therapeutic diets.
 - e. Assistance with physical mobility such as walking, getting up from the ground or floor, transferring from wheelchair to chair and vise versa and in and out of a vehicle and/or bus.
 - f. Assistance with health conditions including seizures.
3. Support, instruct and supervise consumer in their daily activities at all times.
4. Complete required documentation, including the case notes on a daily basis, accurately and thoroughly and submit on time.
5. Observe clients daily for any physical changes and signs in behavior or demeanor that could be a result of illness, abuse, improper dressing or grooming, medications, etc. Report any observations to your supervisor.
6. Perform all duties to uphold, respect and advocate for the Client's Rights.
7. Report immediately to your supervisor any incident involving a client.
8. Build and maintain a positive relationship with all DEC care providers, service coordinators, staff and the community. Including performing all duties to professionally represent, exemplify and champion DEC.
9. Participate in client assessment, planning and evaluation processes as required.
10. Transport clients if necessary or at families request and follow all pre-operation and operation policies and procedures, as required. Additionally, adhere to all driving laws and regulations as well as DEC policies and procedures, as required.
11. Maintain and protect the confidentiality of all consumer information
12. Comply with all state, federal, local laws and regulations as well as DEC policies and procedures.
13. Attend and participate in all mandatory training, in-services, and staff meetings.
14. Perform all other duties, as assigned.

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

- On time regular attendance
- Must dress in appropriate and clean attire, wearing closed toed shoes that do not fall off.
- Must have a valid and appropriate driver's license, as required.
- Must have current liability coverage on personal vehicle and proof of the insurance, as required.
- Must have a current vehicle registration of personal vehicle, as required.
- Must have a driving record that meets the requirements of DEC policy and DEC insurance carrier underwriter guidelines and requirements, as required.
- Must have passed post offer health physical, drug screen and TB test.
- Must be comfortable working with children and adults with disabilities.
- Must be able to maintain confidentiality.
- Must exercise good judgment and make competent decisions.
- Must be able to be flexible, work closely and cooperatively with the family and client.
- Must be able to read, write and communicate in English. Including writing daily reports and completing all required documentation.
- Must be able to drive personal vehicle or DEC vehicle, as required.

PHYSICAL & MENTAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Able to sit and stand for extended periods of time.
- Able to walk for extended periods of time.
- Able to push and pull for extended periods of time.
- Able to visually see for extended periods of time.
- Able to hear and listen for extended periods of time.
- Able to speak for extended periods of time.
- Able to bend, squat, stretch, twist or reach out with the body, arms and/or legs as required.
- Able drive for extended periods of time, as required.
- Able to assist clients in and out of a vehicle or bus.
- Able to work outside for extended periods of time.
- Able to lift 30 pounds
- Able to write daily and monthly reports and complete all required documentation.
- Able to maintain a high level of mental concentration.
- Able to work in a dynamic environment.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT AND UNDERSTANDING:

This job description is intended to provide an overview of the requirements of the position. As such, it is not necessarily all-inclusive, and the job may require other essential and/or non-essential functions, tasks, duties or other responsibilities not listed. Developmental Enrichment Centers reserves the sole right to add, modify, or exclude an essential or non-essential requirement at any time with or without notice. Nothing in this job description, or by the completion of any job requirement by the employee, is intended to create a contract of employment or any type of contract. Employment is "at will" and may be terminated at any time by the employee or employer, without cause or notice.

I read and understand this job description, and I have received a copy.

Employee Name (Print)

Employee Signature

Date