

## RESPIRATORY THERAPY TECHNICIAN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under general supervision of a higher level professional position, an incumbent of this position sets up equipment and applies respiratory therapy used in the treatment of patients. Work is performed strictly in accordance with hospital regulations and procedures and therapy is applied only with the concurrence of a qualified physician. In addition, the incumbent in this position is responsible for the proper operation of the equipment while in use and for overall maintenance and storing. Supervision is not a responsibility of this position. Does related work as required.

### EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Transports oxygen tanks and equipment from storage room to bedside of patient;

Assembles equipment and administers respiratory therapy treatments to patients as prescribed by physicians;

Makes periodic checks of equipment while in use to assure proper functioning;

Removes equipment as ordered by a qualified physician and sterilizes necessary parts;

Maintains all equipment in working order;

Makes routine repairs to equipment;

Keeps records of equipment pertaining to location, units in operation and amounts and types of therapy applied.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Good knowledge of the proper functioning and maintenance of oxygen cylinders, tents, resuscitators, and humidifiers; good knowledge of the operation and routine maintenance of such equipment in a hospital setting; ability to observe and enforce all necessary safety precautions; familiarity with equipment used in the field of respiratory therapy, in general; alertness of mind and body; physical condition commensurate with the requirements of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Possession of a valid limited permit, or license and current registration, issued by the New York State Education Department, as a Respiratory Therapy Technician.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Eligibility for or certification as a Respiratory Therapy Technician (CRTT), issued by the National Board for Respiratory Care.

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