

ST. MARY'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
LICENSED PROFESSIONAL POSITION DESCRIPTION

PHYSICAL THERAPIST

POSITION: Physical Therapist

REPORTS TO: Supervisor of Special Education

LOCATION: Various Locations (Including home and community settings)

NATURE OF WORK:

This is a professional position to meet the individual needs of students through direct service and consultative support to staff and families to support progress in the General Education Curriculum.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Assessment and evaluation of student needs;
- Participation in IEP meetings;
- Development of long and short term learning goals and instructional supports; and
- Collaborative consultation with staff and families.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Diagnose student fine motor/gross motor needs through analysis of test results, observations, and information from parents and teacher consultation;
- Develop and implement IEP goals and objectives/IFSP outcomes for students with fine motor and gross motor impairments which prevent the student from accessing their general education curriculum;
- Develop and train staff and students on the effective implementation of safe transition supports, safe lifting, environmental accessibility/mobility, adaptive equipment access and evacuation drills;
- Consult with teachers and parents regarding the various aspects of motor skills development and associated supports and their impact on achievement;
- Collaborate with physical education teachers on strategies and supports within PE and other settings;
- Serve as a resource person to school personnel in the development and selection of materials to address the needs of students for developmentally appropriate motor skills;
- Re-evaluation and update of individual therapy programs;
- Maintain accurate data for individual student interventions;
- Participate in IEP/IFSP Team Meetings and Pupil Services Team Meetings (PST) for students with motor impairments;
- Submit required and compliant logs and Medical Assistance billings on a monthly basis;
- Ongoing supervision of physical therapy students for short term placements, as needed;
- Ongoing supervision of certified physical therapy assistant (PTA) as determined by DHMH and MSDE guidelines and standards;
- Provides cohesive , well planned lessons to address physical therapy needs of students;
- Complete logs and compliant submissions for attendance and Medical Assistance on a monthly basis;
- Maintain individual student data to measure progress on Individual Education Program (IEP/IFSP) goals, objectives and outcomes;
- Conducts team, staff and parent training when appropriate to student progress; and
- Other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must possess a license as established by the Board of Examiners; and
- Doctorate of Physical Therapy preferred.

TERM OF EMPLOYMENT:

Full-time ten-month position.

SALARY GRADE RANGE:

The salary for this EXEMPT position will be based on EASMC salary schedule (#1) for ten-month employees.

BARGAINING UNIT ELIGIBILITY: EASMC