

Position: Home Health Aide

Home Health Aide Job Purpose: Enables patients to stay in their homes by monitoring and recording patient condition; providing support and personal services; teaching families.

Home Health Aide Job Duties:

- Monitors patient condition by observing physical and mental condition, intake and output, and exercise.
- Supports patients by providing housekeeping and laundry services; shopping for food and other household requirements; preparing and serving meals and snacks; running errands.
- ❖ Assists patients by providing personal services, such as, bathing, dressing, and grooming.
- ❖ Helps patients care for themselves by teaching use of cane or walker, special utensils to eat, special techniques and equipment for personal hygiene.
- ❖ Helps family members care for the patient by teaching appropriate ways to lift, turn, and re-position the patient; advising on nutrition, cleanliness, and housekeeping.
- * Records patient information by making entries in the patient journal; notifying nursing supervisor of changing or unusual conditions.
- ❖ Maintains a safe, secure, and healthy patient environment by following asepsis standards and procedures; maintaining security precautions; following prescribed dietary requirements and nutrition standards;
- ❖ Updates job knowledge by participating in educational opportunities.
- ❖ Protects the home care agency by adhering to professional standards, home care policies and procedures, federal, state, and local requirements.
- Enhances service reputation by accepting ownership for accomplishing new and different requests; exploring opportunities to add value to job accomplishments.

Skills/Qualifications: Creating a Safe, Effective Environment, Health Promotion and Maintenance, Nursing Skills, Health Care Administration, Patient Services, Verbal Communication, Listening, Training, Dependability, Emotional Control, Medical Teamwork