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# Example of Therapeutic Recreation Specialist Job Description

Our growing company is hiring for a therapeutic recreation specialist. Please review the list of responsibilities and qualifications. While this is our ideal list, we will consider candidates that do not necessarily have all of the qualifications, but have sufficient experience and talent.

## Responsibilities for therapeutic recreation specialist

* Leads and trains recreation staff, new recruits and volunteers for therapeutic programs
* Performs patient assessment, treatment, and discharge planning in collaboration with other rehab team members
* Functions as a team member in interdisciplinary care plan of patients
* Documents patient care timely and in accordance with department standards
* Provide therapeutic recreation
* Evaluate emotional, social, mental and physical condition of patients through specific assessments and activity
* Plan and carry out treatment for individuals and groups of referred patients
* May plan, evaluate and treat the more complex cases for individuals and groups of referred patients
* May provide education and in-service training regarding therapeutic recreation to patients, families, staff and others
* Consult with other members of the rehabilitative team to appropriately address identified patient needs during therapeutic recreation activities

## Qualifications for therapeutic recreation specialist

* Tasks may involve bending, lifting, walking, carrying or using a force equal to lifting up to one hundred (100) pounds
* This posting may be used to fill other vacancies in other divisions/work locations within the City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department
* One (1) year of experience working specifically with Youth (5 – 12 years of age), Teens (13 – 18 years of age) and with Adults with disabilities in a professional recreational setting
* One (1) or more years’ inclusion, behavior or therapeutic recreation experience
* One (1) year experience in recruiting, training and supervising temporary employees, contract workers, instructors and/or volunteer/volunteer groups
* One (1) year experience in monitoring an operational budget for an assigned work area