

# **Job Description**

Speech Language Pathologist Assistant Revised 5/2016

# Position Title: Speech Language Pathologist Assistant

**Reports To:** Therapy Department Coordinator **FSLA:** Non- Exempt **Status:** Full-time/Part-time

**Job Summary:** Provides speech/language therapy, under supervision and direction of the speech Language Pathologist, to the birth to three year old population within a medical and educational model. Treatment is provided using an interdisciplinary, family-centered and culturally diverse approach.

## **Essential Functions:**

- 1. Coordinates with Speech Language Pathologist
  - Plans, organizes and implements treatment under direction and supervision of the SLP
  - Assists in speech group curriculum planning, set up and clean up
  - Completes all service logs as assigned
- 2. Supports other staff members by providing accurate and helpful information regarding clients and families
  - Acts as a resource to staff on communication disorders
  - Provides written information on communication disorders
  - Maintains departmental inventory of equipment and materials
  - Provides community outreach and training upon request
- 3. Provides Family Resources Coordination
  - Informs families of advocacy, support services, funding sources and community resources
  - Completes initial, 6-month, and Annual IFSP in coordination with all team members
  - Assists in coordinating the transition process
  - Completes and maintains WA Family Resources Coordination certification
- 4. Maintains professional credentials
  - Attends appropriate trainings/seminars to enhance knowledge/skills
  - Continually upgrades knowledge of current research materials
  - Maintains WA registration/licensure as needed
  - Maintains client confidentiality

#### **Other Functions:**

- 1. Employee is dependable and takes initiative in job duties
- 2. Employee communicates effectively with co-workers and consumers
- 3. Employee attends to accuracy and thoroughness of paperwork
- 4. Employee knows the Agency Mission and is Mission oriented

## **Required/Preferred Work Experience and/or Training:**

- Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university in Communication sciences.
- Infant/toddler communication therapy training and/or experience preferred

## Required Knowledge, Skills and/or Abilities:

- Knowledge of typical and atypical child development processes
- Knowledge of the Individual Education Process and the Individual Family Service Plan process
- Awareness of family economic and cultural issues as they relate to early intervention
- Knowledge of WA State Special Education regulations and/or Federal Early Intervention law
- Valid WA State driver's license, reliable transportation and insurance

## **Required Licenses or Certifications:**

- Obtain DOH SLP-A Certificate
- Washington State driver's license, reliable transportation and insurance
- CPR/First Aid Certificate
- Food Handlers Permit
- WA Family Resource Coordinator certificate (ability to complete required training upon hire)

#### **Physical Demands:**

General Physical Demands	Critical for Job	Strength	Critical for Job Yes		
Climbing Stairs	Yes	Sitting (paperwork, meetings)			
Bending/Twisting at Waist	Yes	Standing	Yes		
Kneeling/Squatting	Yes	Walking	Yes		
Crouching	Yes	Driving (providing home visits)	Yes		
Reaching Above Shoulder	Yes	Lifting (40+ pounds)	Yes		
Repetitive Arm/Hand Motion	Yes	Carrying (40+ pounds)	Yes		
Handling/Grasping	Yes	Pushing/Pulling	Yes		
Fine Finger Manipulation	Yes	0. 0			
Talking – In Person	Yes				
Talking – On Phone	Yes				
Hearing	Yes				
Seeing	Yes				

<u>Toxic Chemicals</u>: Bleach is used to clean toys, etc. Must be able to tolerate exposure to chlorine bleach <u>Types of equipment/machinery or tools used on the job</u>: vehicle to provide home visits, computer, telephone, copier, utensils and fabricated equipment.

<u>Personal Protective Equipment required</u>: gloves when cleaning up potentially hazardous or infectious materials; protective mask when performing CPR

I have reviewed this job description and feel I can perform the essential functions and physical demands with or without accommodation.

Supervisor/Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:					