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JOB DESCRIPTION

MASSAGE THERAPIST

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JOB TITLE: MASSAGE THERAPIST REPORT TO: SUPERVISING RN

**DEPARTMENT:** CLINICAL

## **POSITION SUMMARY:**

The Massage Therapist is responsible for the manipulation of the soft tissues of the human body with the hand, foot, arm, or elbow, whether or not such manipulation is aided by hydrotherapy, including colonic irrigation, or thermal therapy; any electrical or mechanical device; or the application to the human body of a chemical or herbal preparation.

#### POSITION QUALIFICATIONS:

- Graduate of a massage school approved by the Board pursuant to Rule Chapter 64137-32, F.A.C with current License from the State of Florida.
- One year of experience preferred. Car with required proof of insurance coverage and a Florida Driver's license.

**Continuing Education Requirements** - All courses must be obtained through a Board of Massage Therapy Approved Provider. See Rule 64B7-28.009, F.A.C. for more information about continuing education requirements.

#### For Initial Licensure:

Applicants are required to submit proof of completion of the following continuing education (CE) prior to issuance of license:

- \* Ten (10) hours of Florida Laws & Rules for Massage Therapy
- \* Two (2) hours relating to prevention of medical errors
- \* Three (3) hours of HIV/AIDS

#### For First Renewal

Licensees must complete one (1) hour of CE for each month or partial month that has elapsed since the issuance of the license for which renewal is sought, up to a maximum of 24 hours for the renewal period. The requirements are:

- \* Two (2) hour course relating to prevention of medical errors
- \* The remaining required hours may include courses on:
  - o Communications with clients and other professionals
  - o Insurance relating to third party payment or reimbursement for services
  - o Psychological dynamics of the client-therapist relationship
  - o Risk management, including charting, documentation, record keeping, or infection control, or massage practice management
  - o Up to four (4) hours credit for adult cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) provided the course is sponsored by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association or the American Safety and Health Institute, or is instructed by persons certified to instruct courses for those organizations

## For Renewal of License Following First Renewal:

Every licensee must complete 24 hours of approved CE within the biennium for which they are claimed. The requirements are:

- \* Two (2) hour course relating to prevention of medical errors
- \* Two (2) hours of Florida Laws and Rules governing the Massage Therapy Act
- \* Two (2) hours of Professional Ethics
  - o The two hours of laws and rules and two hours of ethics can be met by attending four continuous hours of a Board of Massage Therapy meeting, if the licensee does not have a discipline or licensure matter on the agenda for the same day.
- \* At least twelve (12) of the hours must be relevant to and focus on massage therapy techniques, which may include the history of massage, human anatomy & physiology, kinesiology and/or pathology.
- \* These hours must be completed via live classroom instruction (including hands-on instruction or demonstration).
- \* Six (6) of the live hours may be completed via performance of Pro Bono services pursuant to 64B7-28.0095, F.A.C.
- \* The remaining hours may include courses on:
  - o Communications with clients and other professionals;
  - o Insurance relating to third party payment or reimbursement for services;
  - o Psychological dynamics of the client-therapist relationship;
  - o Risk management, including charting, documentation, record keeping, or infection control, or massage practice management
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# PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS:

- · Must be able to hear and speak in a manner understood by most persons
- Must be able to travel to prospective patient's place of residence
- Must be able to stoop and bend; must be able to lift and transfer patients

# **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Administer and write evaluations of assigned patients in accordance with agency policy and procedures.
- · Display good speaking skills, active listening skills, critical thinking skills, social perceptiveness skills and service orientation skills.
- · Maintain timely and accurate patient records and reports.
- Apply finger and hand pressure to specific points of the body.
- · Assess clients' soft tissue condition, joint quality and function, muscle strength, and range motion.
- · Confer with clients about their medical histories and any problems with stress and/or pain in order to determine whether massage would be helpful.



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- Develop and propose client treatment plans that specify which types of massage are to be used.
- · Massage and knead the muscles and soft tissues of the human body in order to provide courses of treatment for medical conditions and injuries or wellness maintenance.
- Prepare and blend oils and apply the blends to clients' skin.
- Provide clients with guidance and information about techniques for postural improvement, and stretching, strengthening, relaxation and rehabilitative exercises.
- · Keep abreast of research and new techniques.

I have reviewed my job description and agree to perform all duties mentioned to the the needs of the agency change. I further agree to notify my immediate supervisor if	
Independent Contractor Signature	Date