STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

JOB OPPORTUNITY BULLETIN: RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER,

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services - 8300

SALARY RANGE	**A $3,050 - $4,079** **B $3,185 - $4,257** **C $3,328 - $4,449** **The salary indicated above does not reflect the 4.62% salary reduction to facilitate the Governor's Personal Leave Program*
TENURE/TIME BASE	**Permanent/Full-Time**
PROGRAM/DEPARTMENT	**Out Patient Services**
FINAL FILING DATE	**February 8, 2013**

Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) is currently seeking to fill a vacant ***Respiratory Care Practitioner*** position in the ***Out Patient Services Department***. The applicant must possess sufficient strength, agility, endurance and sensory ability to perform the duties required in the duty statement (attached) and experience working with various respiratory therapy procedures safely and effectively. If you're interested in the position and possess the ability to obtain confidence and cooperation of patients, analyze situations accurately; and take appropriate action, then SDC may have the opportunity you have been looking for.

HOW TO APPLY: Interested applicants ***must*** submit a standard State application (STD. 678) on or before the final file date. All applications ***must*** include the following information in the ***job title box*** of the application.

- State the basis of your ***eligibility*** (List, transfer, etc.) into the classification
- Reference the job title and program ***Respiratory Care Practitioner and Unit # 488***

Applications received without this information *may not* be considered for an interview. Applications may be obtained from the California Human Resources Department's website at www.calhr.ca.gov or the Testing Office of Sonoma Developmental Center.

All appointments are subject to State Restriction of Appointment (SROA), Surplus and Re-employment Procedures and a pre-employment physical and fingerprint clearance.

PLEASE **MAIL** YOUR SIGNED AND COMPLETED STATE APPLICATION (STD. 678) TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Sonoma Developmental Center
P.O. Box 1493
Eldridge, CA 95431
ATTN: Marni Sager – Unit #488
(707) 938-6565

PLEASE NOTE: *Applications **must** be postmarked and/or received in SDC, Personnel Office no later than the close of business of the final filing date. Applications and/or resumes sent via e-mail and/or fax will **not** be accepted.* ***Please reference the duty statement on the following page.***

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DUTY STATEMENT

EMPLOYEE NAME:

WORK LOCATION: Out Patient Services Department

JOB TITLE: Respiratory Care Practitioner

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES: Under the clinical direction of the Director of Anesthesiology the Respirator Care Practitioner has the responsibility for providing assistance in the performance of physician prescribed interventions, evaluations, management, treatment and monitoring of clients with cardiopulmonary deficiencies and/or abnormalities.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Administratively: SRN in Clinics/Out Patient Services or Medical Director
Clinically: Medical Director
(To be completed)

SUPERVISION EXERCISED: None
(To be completed)

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: Must maintain sufficient strength, agility, endurance and sensory ability to perform the duties contained in this duty statement.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: Interaction with staff and clients in acute and residential settings. Potential exposure to communicable diseases, blood-borne pathogens, medicinal preparations and other conditions common to a clinical nursing environment.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: The Respiratory Care Practitioner is responsible for demonstrating and upholding a professional image, in appearance and behavior. Inspires respect and confidence in communicating with clinic staff, unit staff, patients, patient's families, physicians and outside agencies.
Assures that a safe, sanitary and therapeutic environment which promotes respect and dignity, protects the privacy, rights, confidentiality and physical/emotional well being of the patient is maintained.
Participates as a member of the Out Patient Services Department in all aspects of the development and implementation of facility and Out Patient Services and philosophies.
Maintains current knowledge of procedures for evaluating pulmonary dysfunction; procedures for providing ventilator assistance to conscious and unconscious client safely and effectively; respiratory disorders and appropriate therapeutic methods and practices; use and care of respiratory equipment, including inspection procedures and sterilization techniques; procedures for keeping the client's airway free of obstruction; basic principles of training and supervision; basic pathology of respiratory disorders. Ability to perform various respiratory therapy procedures safely and effectively, apply emergency methods of cardiopulmonary dysfunction and properly interpret the results; obtain confidence and cooperation of patients, analyze situations accurately; and take appropriate action.

% Time	Duties
40%	● Administer medicated and non-medicated aerosols, chest physiotherapy and invasive or non-invasive positive pressure ventilatory assistance as ordered.

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DUTY STATEMENT

15%

- Act as consultant and advisor to physicians and nursing staff of all levels in matters related to modes of respiratory care. Determine appropriateness of orders for respiratory therapy, including but not limited to the appropriateness of modality of care of each patient's condition, indications for care, untoward harmful effects and the completeness of orders. Accept and record verbal orders.

10%

- Instruct level of care staff in respiratory care activities. Assist with competency testing in matters regarding respiratory care for staff and peers. Develop and maintain collaborative relationships with all health care team members.

10%

- Perform cardiopulmonary monitoring and testing, including pulse oximetry, ETCO2 monitoring, arterial blood gas analysis and continuous cardiac and respiratory monitoring. Perform EKG testing as ordered by physician.

10%

- Record pertinent information in medical records concerning patient's responses to therapies and results of tests. Keep supervisor and colleagues informed of daily activities through daily progress report system.

5%

- Research, recommend and obtain equipment necessary to meet the needs at the facility. Maintain, troubleshoot and calibrate therapeutic and diagnostic equipment as necessary, noting that Biomedical Services are available.

5%

- Write and revise policies, procedures and protocols regarding respiratory care in conjunction with CNS department. Contribute as a member of any and all appropriate committees (including participation in the facility Quality Assurance program).

5%

- Maintain facility compliance with national, local and SDC safety procedures and standards. Maintain knowledge of advances in the field of respiratory care.