

## **ASTHMA ADVENTURE CAMP**

### **RESPIRATORY THERAPIST JOB DESCRIPTION**

The registered respiratory therapist or certified respiratory therapy technician must have a special interest in working with children and be willing to carry out the objectives of camp. He/she must possess leadership skills and either previous camp experience or have experience working with children in another capacity. Therapists are accountable to the RT Director. Therapists attending Asthma Adventure Camp need to possess basic knowledge in: pathophysiology of asthma, medications utilized in the treatment of asthma, allergens and allergic responses, current C.P.R. certification, basic first aid. Therapists will be required to attend a pre-camp orientation.

Specific responsibilities include:

- Commit to a full week of camp.
- Attend a pre-camp orientation.
- Attend staff icebreaker activity.
- Meet with counselors during orientation to discuss camper's nebulizer schedules.
- Assist in preparing infirmary or other medication areas during orientation.
- Assist in preparing and reviewing charts as instructed by RT Director.
- During check-in, meet parents and answer questions/address concerns.
- You also may be asked to assist with physicals during check-in.
- Assist RT Director by answering questions of new camp therapists.
- Administer nebulizer treatments for groups as scheduled by RT Director. Medication times are: 7a.m., 11 a.m., 5 p.m., and 9 p.m.
- Staff infirmary as scheduled by RT Director.
- Provide nurturing for campers who are lonely, homesick, etc.
- Keep their living quarters in order and assist in keeping all of camp clean.
- Participate in daily activities with campers.
- Attend evening activities as scheduled by RT Director.
- Carry out physician's orders.
- Complete and maintain charts.
- Assist in formal and informal education during the week.
- Transport ill/injured campers to hospital as directed by Camp Director/RT Director.
- Box and inventory supplies in the infirmary at the end of the week.
- During check out, review with parents their child's medical questions/concerns.
- Any other responsibilities as directed by RT Director or Camp Director.
- Attend medical staff meetings as scheduled by RT Director or Camp Director.