# SPEECH PATHOLOGY CLINICIAN

#### KIND OF WORK

Advanced clinical work in the development and provision of speech therapy programs.

#### NATURE AND PURPOSE

An employee in this class is responsible for the design, implementation and evaluation of speech therapy programming for residents in a state facility. Employees are responsible for development and delivery of a wide range of speech therapy programming requiring extensive knowledge of the causes and treatment of speech and hearing disorders. Responsibilities may include the supervision of subordinate Speech Pathologists and students. Employees serve as in-house consultants to institution staff and are responsible for the design and delivery of speech therapy in-service training programs.

EXAMPLES OF WORK (A position may not include all the work examples given, nor does the list include all that may be assigned.)

Supervises the design, implementation and evaluation of speech therapy programs in a state institution.

Designs and implements highly complex speech pathology plans and programs.

Coordinates and supervises audiologist testing and diagnosis of residents' hearing problems.

Coordinates the development and provision of in-service speech therapy training for the institution's professional and paraprofessional staff.

Communicates residents' needs and progress to staff, parents and guardians.

Makes presentations on speech therapy programming to professional, educational and community organizations and institution staff.

Designs student practitioner programs.

Supervises student interns, student teachers and clinicians in their clinical fellowship year and evaluates their performance.

May serve as a consultant to the Department's state hospitals and nursing homes in the design and implementation of speech therapy programs. Speech Pathology Clinician Class Specification Page 2

May supervise subordinate speech pathologists and evaluates work performance.

Prepares and/or supervises the preparation of case history reports.

## KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of:

Thorough knowledge of complex speech disorders, their physical and psychological causes and manifestations.

Considerable knowledge of the causes of cognitive and intellectual disabilities.

Considerable knowledge of training techniques and the ability to design in-service speech therapy training programs.

Considerable knowledge of neurology/anatomy.

Comprehensive knowledge of language and cognitive language development.

Comprehensive knowledge of speech pathology theories and treatment methods.

Ability to:

Communicate effectively orally and in writing.

Determine appropriate language modes for residents.

### LEGAL OR LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS

Possession of a Clinical Competency Certificate or equivalent.

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