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# SUPERSEDES

# TITLE Senior Activity Therapist CLASSIFICATION GRADE 07

# SPECIALTY GRADE 60

### BASIC FUNCTION AND RESPONSIBILITY

Plan, develop, implement and evaluate activity therapy treatment programs.

#### CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Evaluate and treat the emotional, mental, and physical conditions of patients by utilizing activity therapy techniques, including adapted sports and games, special events, social recreation, outdoor recreation, and other specialized programs.

Consult with other members of the rehabilitative team to coordinate therapeutic programs for individuals and groups of patients.

Attend meetings to discuss recreational activities for individuals and groups of patients.

Provide community outings for patients on a regular basis which requires the use of a hospital vehicle. Driving record will be reviewed on a regular basis by Risk Management. (See University Risk Management policy for driving record compliance requirements).

Participate in and conduct in-service training sessions.

Evaluate patient progress and document results.

Train, schedule, assign and evaluate work of support staff.

Maintain effective working relationships with faculty, staff, students and the public.

*In addition to the duties and responsibilities noted above, the position description must include statements from*[*UI Health Care Core Values (WECARE)*](https://uihc.org/mission-vision-and-core-values)*for Health Care positions or*[*Universal Competencies*](https://hr.uiowa.edu/careers/competencies/universal-competencies)*for all other positions.*

##### SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Supervision is received from the Director of Activities Therapy or other designated official.

##### SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Functional supervision is exercised over support staff.

#### QUALIFICATIONS

A Bachelor’s degree in a field related to the practice of Activity Therapy or an equivalent combination of education and experience is required.

Reasonable (1-3 years) experience in activity therapy is required.

Certification as a Certified Therapeutic Recreational Specialist or Certified Child Life Specialist, or Music Therapist/Board Certified is required within one year of date of hire into this job classification.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills are required.

Current driver’s license required if transporting patients as well as driving record in compliance with UI Risk Management policy.