

Home Health Physical Therapist (PT)

The Physical Therapist (PT) provides skilled physical therapy services to patients in their homes on an intermittent basis, following physician orders and an individualized plan of care. The PT works collaboratively with the interdisciplinary team to restore function, relieve pain, and improve mobility and quality of life. This is a per-diem position as we are seeking a candidate who is available to pick up roughly 12-18 shifts per week and has 2-4 days of availability for home health visits. We are seeking candidates interested in covering either South Chicago near Oak Lawn, IL 60453 or the far south suburbs of Chicago near Tinley Park, IL 60477 and within a 30-mile radius from these locations.

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Graduate of an accredited Physical Therapy program approved by the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) or equivalent accrediting body.
2. Current IL state licensure as a Physical Therapist.
3. One (1) year experience in home health care, required.
4. Strong clinical assessment, documentation, and communication skills.
5. Ability to exercise independent judgment and initiative.
6. Alignment with the Agency's mission, vision, and values.

LINE OF AUTHORITY: Reports to the Clinical Manager/Nursing Supervisor

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Evaluate patients' functional status and develop individualized care plans in collaboration with the physician.
2. Provide skilled physical therapy treatment and reassess progress regularly.
3. Document clinical notes, OASIS assessments, care plans, and progress reports accurately and on time.
4. Instruct patients and caregivers on exercises, safety, and home programs to maximize independence.
5. Communicate effectively with physicians, nurses, and other members of the care team regarding patient progress and needs.
6. Supervise and direct Physical Therapy Assistants (PTAs) and Home Health Aides (HHAs) per regulatory guidelines.
7. Participate in case conferences, in-service education, and QAPI (Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement) activities.
8. Maintain confidentiality of patient information and adhere to all Agency policies and HIPAA standards.
9. Maintain current CPR certification and all required credentials.

10. Perform other related duties as assigned.

Documentation & Compliance

1. Submit all required documentation within Agency-defined time frames.
2. Accurately utilize ICD-10 codes and comply with state and federal regulations.
3. Complete recertifications every 60 days if treatment continues, and discharge summaries upon completion of care.
4. Report all incidents, complaints, or variances immediately to the Clinical Manager.

Supervisory Responsibilities

- Provides direction and oversight to assigned PTAs and HHAs.
- May assist in training new or less experienced staff.

Core Competencies

- Clinical Expertise & Professional Judgment
- Communication & Collaboration
- Documentation Accuracy
- Time Management & Organization
- Patient-Centered Care
- Ethical Conduct & Confidentiality

Benefits:

- Flexible schedule

Work Location: Patient's Home