

Therapeutic Recreation Specialist – Community Living

Full-Time

Summary

The Therapeutic Recreation Specialist has the primary responsibility of ensuring the development, implementation, and coordination of individual and group therapeutic recreation service for individuals within the Intermediate Care Facility/Individual Intellectual Disabilities (ICF-IID) programs.

Primary Responsibilities

- Completes Recreation Assessment on admission to Intermediate Care Facility/Individual Intellectual Disabilities (ICFIID) program and on an annual basis.
- Develops Recreation Support plan for individuals identified as benefiting from one to one involvement, provides quarterly and annual report.
- Participates in monthly Qualified Intellectual Developmental Professional (QIDP) and quarterly Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) meetings for individuals on caseload.
- Provides consultation to programs to ensure choices.
- Adheres to Intermediate Care Facility/Individual Intellectual Disabilities (ICFIID), Department Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) requirements.
- Identifies, plans, coordinates on site and external recreational events for individuals and families.
- Maintain current and accurate files on each person served.
- Provides education to staff on benefits on therapeutic recreation activities.
- Identify and coordinates equipment required for safe recreation activities.
- Observe individuals and review data and progress in order to modify/revise individual supports as needed.
- Maintains valid Virginia driver's license and insurable under The Arc's auto insurance.
- Perform other duties when assigned.
- Follow all applicable policies and procedures of The Arc of the Virginia Peninsula.

Qualifications/Skills & Knowledge Requirements

Education: Bachelor's Degree in Recreation or a related specialty area such as art, dance, music or physical education. Certification in Therapeutic Recreation Therapy preferred.

Experience: One year documented experience working with adults with intellectual disability or developmental disabilities.

Skills Knowledge & Abilities

Comprehensive knowledge of best practices in therapeutic recreation, leisure education, individual assessment and intervention, and therapeutic recreation program management. Ability to modify supports to meet individual needs. Knowledge of community recreation resources and the ability to establish relationships and locate community resources. Ability to lead others, work as a team member and provide hands on support to individuals.

Environmental

The work is sedentary. Typically, the employee may sit comfortably to do the work. However, there may be some walking, standing, bending, carrying of light items such as pases, book, small parts, driving an automobile, etc. No special physical demands are required to perform the work.