

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

This is responsible professional work performed with considerable leeway for the exercise of independent judgment in the examination on individual students. Duties are performed according to established medical procedures and objectives outlined by school authorities. A school physician assumes responsibility for all professional work done.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

1. Makes periodic examinations of school children to detect the presence of contagious diseases and physical defects;
2. Advises parents and other physicians regarding the correction of such defects;
3. Advises teachers on the teaching of general public health courses;
4. Handles emergency cases arising among school children on school grounds;
5. Conducts school clinics;
6. Does related work as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of medicine; good knowledge of the principles and practice of public health, epidemiology and child health; ability to get along well with children; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relations with teachers and the general public; conscientiousness and thoroughness; interest in maintaining a high standard of professional ethics; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Two years of experience as a practicing physician, preferably supplemented by training and experience in pediatrics and graduation from an approved school; or any equivalent combination of experience and training sufficient to indicate ability to do the work.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

A license to practice medicine in New York State.

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