

PHYSICIAN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

This is responsible professional work calling for the services of a licensed physician. Employees in this class perform medical services of a general or specialized nature. Work is outlined and reports are reviewed by the appropriate authority but methods of execution are left to the discretion of the physician. Supervision may be exercised over the work of nursing personnel.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

The examples of work listed below are intended to show the varied activities included within the class but should not be considered as representative of any individual position. Generally, positions of physician in municipal government are restricted to a limited number of the assignments described below:

1. Examines and recommends treatment for institutional patients;
2. Provides professional medical care for recipients of public assistance;
3. Examines and treats children in foster homes;
4. Authorizes hospitalization, consultation with specialists, laboratory work, nursing care and other specialized treatment;
5. Makes periodic examinations of school children to detect presence of contagious diseases and physical defects and advises parents regarding the correction of such defects;
6. Conducts school clinics;
7. Examines and re-examines members of the municipal Police and Fire Departments;
8. Examines applicants for municipal government employment;
9. Supervises and administers inoculation programs;
10. Prescribes formulas and diets for infants;
11. Diagnoses and treats patients;
12. Takes specimens for necessary tests;
13. Performs or recommends surgical operations when necessary;
14. Examines blood donors;
15. Prepares reports of examinations made;
16. Does related work as required.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of medicine; ability to get along well with others; conscientiousness and thoroughness; interest in maintaining a high standard of professional ethics; good motor, hand and eye coordination; sound professional judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Possession of a license to practice medicine in New York State.

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