## **ART THERAPIST**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS**: This is a responsible position involving the planning and implementation of an art therapy program. The incumbent will function as an Art Therapist and will be a member of a multi-disciplinary team providing consistent, coordinated therapeutic services. The work is performed under the general supervision of a program administrator. Supervision over the work of others is not normally a function of this class. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES**: The typical work activities listed below, while providing representative examples of the variety of work assignments in the title do not describe any individual position. Incumbents in this title may perform some or all of the following, as well as, other related activities not described.

Plans, implements and provides art therapy to individuals and/ or groups;

Determines level of function, ranging from simple social skills such as maintaining eye contact and following directions, to the ability to draw, paint and/ or sculpt;

Observes and records progress and prepares periodic summary reports as required;

Attends staff meetings, conferences and workshops as required;

Plans and participates in special programs and/or performances.

<u>FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES</u>, <u>SKILLS</u>, <u>ABILITIES AND PERSONAL</u> <u>CHARACTERISTICS</u>: Good knowledge of art theory; ability to assess the level of intellectual development of an individual; ability to draw, paint and/ or sculpt; ability to work well with groups and individuals; ability to gain the cooperation of others; emotional maturity; manual dexterity; enthusiasm; patience; sensitivity; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

<u>MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS</u>: Possession of a Bachelor's Degree in Art Therapy or a closely related field.

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