

Alberta's Health Regions and Voluntary Organizations and the Health Sciences Association of Alberta (HSAA)

This classification specification identifies representative duties and responsibilities, and is intended to assist in the determination of the appropriate classification level within each discipline. Some duties and responsibilities may overlap between class levels. The classification specification is not intended to provide an exhaustive list of all duties performed.

Classification Title: **Recreation Therapist II**

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Job Summary:

The Recreation Therapist II coordinates the day-to-day operations of their assigned area and provides clinical consultation to the Recreation Therapist I's and/or other members of the multi-disciplinary team.

Work at the Recreation Therapist II level is differentiated from work at the Recreation Therapist I level by the additional daily coordination responsibilities.

Key Responsibilities and Typical Duties:

In addition to the duties of the Recreation Therapist I, the Recreation Therapist II:

Core Duties

- Ensures the development of all functional intervention plans and programs.
- Provides supervision of the clinical practice of students and Recreation Therapy Assistants.
- Coordinates the effective training and use of volunteers in selected service delivery areas.
- Ensures monthly program and staff scheduling is completed.
- Establishes program profiles and evaluates programs on an ongoing basis.
- Facilitates and participates in quality improvement, education and research activities.

Other Related Duties

- Participates in the development and maintenance of relevant program manuals/guides.
- Selects, monitors, purchases supplies and equipment and arranges for repairs.
- Participates in the development of departmental policies and procedures.

Leadership

- Coordinates and ensures recreation therapy coverage for their assigned area.
- Supervises volunteers, Recreation Therapy Assistants and students.

Leadership (cont)

- Mentors and provides collegial/functional guidance to Recreation Therapist I's.
- Participates in the recruitment, selection, orientation, training, evaluation of recreation staff.
- Provides input into budget, staffing and program development proposals for their program area.

Decision-Making

- Resolves unusual or complex cases or refers to appropriate individual(s).
- Recommends and provides input regarding service delivery in their assigned area.

Knowledge:

Education

- Bachelors Degree in Recreation Therapy, Leisure Studies, Recreation Administration or a related field.

Registration Requirements

- Registered with the Alberta Therapeutic Recreation Association (ATRA).

Working Conditions:

Physical Demands

- Stands, walks or sits for prolonged periods of time.
- Active physical participation with clients required.
- Participates in client transfers as required.
- Lifts, pushes and carries a variety of equipment.

Work Environment

- Work environments include facilities, homes, community recreation centers and outdoor recreation areas.
- Travel required in all weather/road conditions.
- May be subject to verbally and/or physically aggressive clients and/or family.