TITLE: NURSE PRACTITIONER

DEFINITION: Under general supervision, performs professional nursing involving the application of skills acquired in specialized training to provide health services to pediatric clinic patients.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Provides care for a selected case load of children in a family-centered outpatient facility;
- Under medical guidance and nursing supervision, performs physical examination of babies and preschool children, conducts development tests, and refers children with symptoms of illness or abnormal development to a physician or other medical resource;
- Administers routine immunizations as directed;
- Provides clinical management of certain uncomplicated illnesses in accordance with department medical guidelines;
- Counsels parents regarding their child's development, nutrition, medication and safety;
- Conducts or provides for follow-up on patients; progress and implementation of prescribed treatment by making or directing home visits;
- Provides family health guidance;
- Performs other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

Possession of a current California license to practice as a Registered Nurse.

A California Public Health Nurse Certificate.

One or more years experience as a Public Health Nurse.

Completion of an approved university Pediatric Nurse Practitioner course.

A valid motor vehicle operator license.

HISTORY:

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