

## **REGISTERED NURSE (SCHOOLS)**

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** This is a professional nursing position at one or more public schools involving responsibility for the maintenance of acceptable health standards, school health records and the emergency treatment of a student and employee health problems and for performing related nursing services such as pupil health screening and notification of defects and communicable disease control requiring judgment and skills. In accordance with a recent Supreme Court decision (Cedar Rapids Community School District v. Garret F.), incumbents may be required to provide school health services necessary for a disabled child to benefit from special education including continuous one-on-one nursing services. This position differs from the certified position of School Nurse-Teacher in that there is no responsibility for either classroom instruction or guidance involved. The work is performed under the general direction of a School Medical Supervisor or School Physician. Supervision may be exercised over the work of clerical assistants. Does related work as required.

### **TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:**

Assists the School Physician in physical, visual and auditory screening examinations of students and employees;  
Administers first aid and emergency treatment to students and employees;  
Prepares and maintains health records for school authorities;  
Assists at school immunization clinics;  
Arranges to transport sick or injured students or employees to hospital, home, doctor's or dentist's office in cases of emergency;  
Inspects the school plant, playground and cafeteria and reports on general safety and sanitary conditions;  
Orders, inventories and oversees the storage of first aid and related health supplies and equipment;  
Consults with attendance teachers, staff members and school nurse-teachers concerning a variety of health factors related to non-attendance and communicable disease;  
Prepares records and reports as required;  
May provide school health services necessary for a disabled child to benefit from special education including continuous one-on-one nursing services.

### **FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

Good knowledge of nursing principles and techniques and their relation to medical practices and skill in their application; working knowledge of materia-medica, dietetics, sanitation and person hygiene; skill in the application of nursing techniques and practices; ability to understand and follow technical, oral and written instructions; ability to keep records and make reports; ability to get along well with students, teachers, parents and others; ability to carry out successfully the measures prescribed; ability to plan and supervise the work of sub-professional and non-technical personnel.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Possession of a license to practice as a Registered Nurse in New York State.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:** License to practice as a Registered Nurse issued by the State of New York must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.