

PHYSICIAN (SPECIALIST)

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is responsible professional medical work, involving specialized examination and treatment of patients. Methods of execution are left to the discretion of the physician. The work is performed subject to general supervision and may involve the supervision and instruction of resident physicians or surgeons, interns, nurses and laboratory or clerical personnel.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Supervises and conducts medical treatment of a specialized nature;
Examines patients in a hospital, clinic or in the home;
Diagnoses illnesses and treats patients;
Consults with, and provides consultation with other physicians;
Performs necessary functions in the specialty field for which employed;
Authorizes hospitalization, consultation with other specialists, laboratory work, the administration of drugs, nursing care, and other medically accepted treatment;
Follows up patient progress while in and out of hospital;
Refers patient to various government facilities where indicated;
Makes available medical information useful to supporting medical, laboratory, psychiatric or social services staff in diagnosing and meeting the needs of patients;
May conduct classes or seminars in the training of personnel;
Supervises the compilation of periodic medical reports;
May act as director of a department related to the specialty field.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES & PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the modern principles and practices of the medical specialty involved; ability to get along well with others; conscientiousness; thoroughness; interest in maintaining a high standard of professional ethics; good motor and hand and eye coordination; good professional judgment; good physical condition.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Qualified Physician (Specialist) shall mean a physician who holds a current license to practice medicine in the State of New York and who:

- (1) is a diplomate of the appropriate American board or who has been certified as a specialist by the American osteopathic specialty board for the respective specialty; or
- (2) has been notified of admissibility to examination by such board, or presents evidence of completion of an approved qualifying residency in such specialty; or
- (3) holds the rank of attending or associate attending specialist in an accredited voluntary or governmental hospital, which is approved for training in the specialty in which the physician has privileges; or

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- (4) holds an appropriate specialist rating granted by the Workmen's Compensation Board after May, 1960, provided the award is based on training approved by the respective specialty board.

NOTE: Standards as prescribed by Section 700.2(b) (19) New York State Hospital Code.

Mutually agreed to by the Municipal Service Division and State Health Department, January 1976. Based on New York State Hospital Code.
