

ROSE-MARY CENTER

JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title: Lifeguard

Job Date: January 2003

BASIC FUNCTION:

Under the immediate supervision of the Activities Director, and in cooperation with the Activities Coordinator, the lifeguard is responsible for the safety of the aquatic facility users. Ensures that pool is used in a safe and responsible manner. Supervises pool area.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Ensures the safety of facility users by eliminating pool hazards and checking to make sure that necessary safety equipment is in place and accessible.

Prevents injuries and minimizes or eliminates hazardous situations in the pool and deck area by making sure equipment, toys or other obstacles are out of the way.

Supervises all activities in assigned area. Makes certain that adequate staff is available for pool users. Denies pool access until all supervision and safety measures are in place.

Never leaves assigned area until properly relieved.

Keeps pool area clean and ensures that all doors are locked and all users have left when the facility is closed.

Responds quickly to all emergency situations in the water, using the proper rescue procedures and techniques. Continually scans pool area and is able to recognize swimmers who need help.

Administers first aid to victims of an emergency and must, within limits of training, provide initial emergency care necessary to sustain life until emergency medical services (EMS) personnel arrive.

Informs Activity Coordinator when more help and/or equipment are needed.

Observes and enforces all rules and regulations of RMC pool policy.

Carries out all additional duties assigned by the Activities Director which relate to usage of pool area maintenance duties, such as cleaning the pool area; helps children in and out of pool, assists with the dressing of children, etc.

Participates in the Water Plan Review Group to monitor and develop IWP's for the residents.

Performs other related duties as required or assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS (cont'd):

Must be Red Cross Certified Life Guard and certified in CPR and First Aid.

Must have two years experience in MR/DD.

Must have ability to work with staff and residents and to communicate effectively both verbally and through writing.

Must have physical ability to perform water rescue techniques as well as the knowledge and skill necessary to prevent aquatic emergencies and injuries.

Must know how to use all rescue equipment and ensure that it is in good working order at all times.