WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL

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Specification for Class of

MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONIST Abolished Effective July 1, 2007

<u>Definition</u>: Transcribes detailed medical reports utilizing word processing software and a machine dictation system and/or other voice recording equipment. While duties may involve allied clerical functions, the major responsibility is to produce a volume of accurate medical transcription to specified department standards. May provide training to incumbents in positions designated as In-Training to this class.

Examples of Work:

Schedules, organizes and performs medical transcription for professional and/or contract staff such as physicians, physician assistants, psychiatrists, psychologists, nurses, occupational therapists and social workers;

Produces and/or revises from rough draft, diskette, voice recordings, and/or verbal instruction a wide variety of medical and clinical records and reports such as psychiatric evaluations, competency evaluations, physical assessments, chemical dependency reports, treatment plans and schedules, progress reports, case reviews, discharge and/or release summaries, mortality/morbidity reviews and meeting minutes;

Merges transcribed material with information abstracted from patient records, data base files and other sources to produce reports and summaries per staff direction and/or established guidelines;

Prepares affidavits, petitions and other documents required by law for use by professional/liaison staff in Superior court;

Ensures transcribed medical and clinical records and reports are prepared in conpliance with agency, state and federal directives, standards and time requirements;

Proofreads, reviews and edits correspondence and medical records for completeness, format, terminology, abbreviations, symbols, grammar, punctuation, spelling and clarity of expression;

Performs a variety of related clerical support duties such as logging, coding, tracking and distributing documents, correspondence, feeder reports and completed actions; researching medical records, tracking patient admissions, drafting and/or typing correspondence, resolving clerical problems, responding to inquiries, compiling reports, answering telephones, routing calls, taking messages, and receiving, directing and registering visitors, patients, families and others;

Perform related duties as required.

Desirable Qualifications

Completion of a two-year college or vocational medical secretary program, medical transcriptionist program or equivalent.

<u>OR</u>

High school or GED equivalent and two years of typing experience, one of which involved the medical field.

Note: Positions in this class typically require keyboarding or typing accurately at a net speed of 50 words per minute or faster.

New class: 6-15-84 Revised minimum qualifications: 6-15-90 Revised,definition and minimum qualifications and title change (formerly Medical Transcriptionist 2: 07-01-99