

Job Title: Audiologist
Department: Physician Services
Classification: Exempt
Reports to: 1. Physician Services Manager
2. CEO

Summary

The Audiologist diagnoses, manages and treats hearing, balance or ear problems. They determine the severity and type of hearing loss a patient has and develops a plan for treatment.

Essential Functions

- Identify, test, diagnose, and manage disorders of human hearing, balance, and tinnitus; interpret test results of behavioral and objective measures
- Counsel patients about hearing health and the possible need for treatment/management
- Assess the candidacy of persons with hearing loss for hearing aids and cochlear implants and provide fitting, programming, and audiologic rehabilitation to ensure the best possible outcomes
- Supervise and conduct newborn hearing screening programs
- Evaluate and manage children and adults with central auditory processing disorders
- Perform otoscopic examination of ear canals and ear drum, manage the removal of excessive cerumen, and make ear impressions
- Recommend and provide hearing aid selection, fitting, and programming
- Recommend and provide hearing assistive technology systems (HATS)
- Recommend and provide audiologic rehabilitation—including speech reading, communication management, language development, and auditory skill development
- Perform assessment and nonmedical management of tinnitus
- Counsel and educate patients and families/caregivers on the psychosocial adjustments of hearing loss
- Collaborate with educators regarding communication management, educational implications of hearing loss, educational programming, classroom acoustics, and large-area amplification systems for children with hearing loss
- Educate the public on the prevention of hearing loss, tinnitus, and falls
- Consult about accessibility for persons with hearing loss in public and private buildings, programs, and services
- Implement and/or coordinate community, school-based, or occupational hearing screening and conservation programs
- Participate in the development of professional and technical standards
- Demonstrate the value of audiologic services by measuring functional outcomes, consumer satisfaction, and effectiveness of treatment
- Supervise audiology assistants who provide support functions to the practice of audiology

Education/Experience

- Doctoral degree in audiology from an accredited program
- Current PA Licensure

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- **Required to maintain absolute confidentiality of patient care, patient accounts and hospital related matters.**
- **Required to abide by, and comply with, the provisions of the TAH Corporate Compliance Policy.**
- Ability to understand and operate necessary computer equipment and software programs.
- Must be able to receive, interpret and follow verbal and written instructions.
- Must be self-motivated.
- Interpersonal skills involving frequent contact with employees, the public and patients.
- Good interviewing, listening and communication skills.

Work Environment

Work is performed primarily indoors in a generally pleasant work area. Physical demands are primarily the ability to frequently walk, stand, lift and position patients.