

St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf Position Description

JOB TITLE: Pediatric Audiologist

REPORTS TO: Executive Director – Missouri STATUS: Regular-Full Time-Exempt

LOCATION: St. Louis Campus

For nearly two centuries, St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf (SJI) has delivered exceptional listening and spoken language solutions for children with hearing loss, reflecting the charism of the Sisters of St Joseph of Carondelet. The Audiologist is a member of the SJI staff and provides support to the Audiology Clinic. The Audiologist is responsible for providing comprehensive audiologic management to pediatric patients and children under the age of 18. Responsibilities include ensuring children receive appropriate audiology services including evaluation, hearing aid selection and fitting, cochlear implant counseling, mapping and follow-up care along with evaluation for other appropriate assistive devices as necessary. This is a year-round full-time position, working typically Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.

Education, Qualifications and/or Experience:

- Doctorate degree in Audiology, Certification of Clinical Competence in Audiology from the American Speech, Language and Hearing Association, and have a Missouri License in Audiology and Missouri Hearing Instrument Specialist's License.
- Maintain certification in Missouri and Illinois (for infant provider only) to provide services for infants and toddlers through state early intervention programs.
- Maintain appropriate ASHA certification and other certifications as appropriate.
- Must be able to effectively communicate findings in a clear and concise manner to the wide variety of patients and families on the caseload.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills. Excellent interpersonal and relationship building skills both within and outside the organization. Strong organizational skills with the ability to multi-task and prioritize workload.
- Respect for confidential and sensitive nature of information learned by virtue of job responsibilities and HIPAA.
- Desire for ongoing professional development, and remain current and knowledgeable of growing trends in field.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provide a wide range of evaluations to patients using appropriate testing protocols including but not limited to: pure tone audiometry, imittance/tympanometry, real ear aided responses, electroacoustic evaluation of hearing aids and other assistive listening devices.
- Counsel patients and their families on evaluation results and makes recommendations for appropriate hearing technology for type and degree of hearing loss. Ensure that hearing aids and other equipment are properly fit and families, teachers and therapists have the information needed to help patient derive optimal benefit from technology. Provide troubleshooting and on-site repairs/replacement of defective equipment. Make follow-up referrals for medical intervention as needed.
- Prepare timely reports on diagnostic test results and provides results to family, teachers, therapists, and other providers as appropriate.
- Provide information and feedback during meetings such as patient counseling sessions, staffing, inservices, and faculty meetings when appropriate.
- Assist in marketing to maintain and grow client base. Participate in the development and implementation of community outreach activities to enhance the department through visits to area physicians, professionals and other organizations.
- Provide outreach Audiology services for school districts
- Participate in the supervision of practicum students placed in the Audiology Clinic from University graduate programs.
- Maintain information on current available technology for all patients. Attend workshops and seminars to further develop and enhance professional skills.
- Knowledge of assessment tools available for the identification and habilitation of patients with hearing loss, ability to select appropriate tests for patients including those for difficult-to-test clients.
- Ability to interpret and coordinate test findings, both formal and informal with subjective information to
 design an individualized course of hearing management. Ability to analyze the benefit of technology to
 patient outcomes and counsel accordingly.

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