

TITLE OF POSITION:	EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGIST COMMUNITY SERVICES
DIVISION:	Community Services
SITE:	Resthaven Sites
REPORTS TO:	Manager Community Services

### **OVERVIEW OF ROLE**

In accordance with Resthaven philosophy and policies, the Exercise Physiologist Community Services is responsible for the provision of quality exercise programs to older people. *Special Conditions:* A current driver's licence and use of an appropriate reliable, registered, and insured vehicle is essential. Reimbursement for work related travel applies.

#### **ABOUT RESTHAVEN**

Resthaven was established in 1935 and is one of a select few providers to offer the full range of aged care services. Proudly South Australian, Resthaven is a financially independent, not-for-profit charity associated with the Uniting Church in Australia. Find meaningful connections and work with purpose as you are supported to develop in your role.

## **CORE RESPONSIBILITIES**

Undertake duties in accordance with the philosophy, business practices and policies of Resthaven Incorporated, and perform the following duties:

- Implement evidence-based interventions and develop tailored individual exercise programs for clients with Chronic Disease
- Design, deliver and evaluate safe and effective exercise interventions for people with acute, sub-acute or chronic medical conditions, injuries, or disabilities.
- Practising within the standards and ethics of the Exercise Physiologist profession, as documented in the Standards & Compliance prepared by Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA)
- Working as a professional member of a multi-disciplinary rehabilitation team and actively participating in team meetings and continuous improvement activity.
- Assessing, planning, and evaluating programs or treatments for the client by: Reviewing, continually assessing, and evaluating programs or treatments
- Implementing effective discharge programs
- Balancing competing priorities of individuals' expectations against resource levels
- Maintaining documentation in a professional and confidential manner and in accord with Resthaven standards
- Effectively communicating with staff members, health professionals, clients, and family with regards to provision of Exercise Physiology services
- Supervising and instructing Therapy Assistants
- Contributing to, and participating in, education programs for clients and staff of Resthaven Inc related to Reablement, exercise and mobility.
- Participating in continuing education and courses

- Ensuring exercise equipment is adequately maintained and liaising with the Manager for the ordering of supplies and equipment.
- Ensuring all client incidents and adverse clinical events are recorded and reported to the Manager Community Services.
- Other duties as directed by the Manager Community Services, commensurate with classification and training.

### **RESTHAVEN REQUIREMENTS**

Staff must follow and apply the following:

## Quality, Health, Safety, and Injury Management

- Maintaining a safe work environment in accordance with Resthaven Work Health and Safety Policies and Procedures, and actively participating in the rehabilitation and return to work of staff injured at work.
- Undertaking all duties in accordance with Resthaven's Quality Management System, policies, and procedures
- Assisting in the ongoing maintenance of a safe workplace through involvement in the implementation of safe systems of work in accordance with Resthaven Work Health and Safety Policies and Procedures.
- Participating in mandatory Health and Safety training sessions.
- Identifying and reporting hazards in the workplace.
- Participating in Resthaven Quality Management System and commitment to processes of continuous improvement activities, including auditing, surveys and needs analysis.

# **Privacy and Confidentiality**

- Adhering to Resthaven Privacy of Information Policy and Procedure at all times.
- Maintaining a duty of confidentiality to all residents, clients, volunteers, students, and staff.
- Ensuring that any confidential information that becomes known through the course of employment with Resthaven is kept confidential including information relating to Resthaven's:
  - Business or operational interests
  - Methodology and affairs
  - Financial information
  - Anything else that is notified as being confidential.

# **SELECTION CRITERIA**

### **Essential**

- Degree qualified in Exercise Physiology
- Recent experience working in the field of Exercise Physiology
- Full member of Exercise & Sports Science Australia (ESSA)
- Driver's Licence
- An understanding of issues for older people, their families, and carers
- Knowledge of the range and type of services available for older people/people with disabilities
- Ability to work effectively and cooperatively as a member of a team.

- Ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of people.
- Ability to work with minimal supervision.
- Ability to review procedures and implement new models of service delivery to satisfy client and organisational requirements.
- Demonstrated commitment to quality outcomes and ability to consult with staff regarding continuous improvement.
- Ability to monitor expenditure and implement action as required.
- Understanding of ageing and ability to relate to older people.
- Knowledge of and commitment to Work Health and Safety legislation.
- Understanding of quality accreditation systems and their application in the workplace
- Sound computer skills including knowledge of Microsoft Office suite.

### **Desirable**

- Experience in working with older clients in a multi-disciplinary environment.
- Experience in measuring client outcomes
- Knowledge of the providers in the aged care sector
- Proven ability to coordinate the activities of a range of staff.

Acknowledged:	
	Employee
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