

1.2.4 NURSING ASSISTANT (OR THOSE POSSESSING A DIPLOMA IN HEALTH, ASSISTANCE AND NURSING CARE)

Nature of the work

The principal and customary work of an employee in this class of employment consists, within the limits of his or her competence, in administering certain treatments and general care to students of all ages whose state of health so requires.

Characteristic functions

The employee in this class of employment carries out nursing duties for which he or she is qualified in keeping with the required qualifications.

He or she takes temperatures, distributes certain medication and administers treatments, such as postural drainage and aerosol treatments. He or she reports any symptoms or abnormal reactions. He or she monitors the students' hygiene; may also assist handicapped students in washing themselves, getting dressed and putting on orthopaedic devices. He or she sees to the cleanliness of the incontinent and helps students with their snacks and meals.

He or she accompanies and assists students who are going to the swimming pool, as needed; ensures that there are no contraindications.

He or she administers, under supervision, first aid for minor injuries; if the situation so warrants, refers the student to a doctor or a hospital and may then accompany the student in the ambulance.

He or she may also supervise students, notably those with heart problems, while they are resting in the infirmary.

He or she prepares various lists and reports related to the students' records and state of health; follows up on cases and reopens them, if necessary; contacts parents to obtain any information concerning the student, as needed.

He or she tidies, maintains or washes cupboards, instruments, refrigerators and sterilizers; prepares towels, swabs, pins, dressings and lab coats; changes and makes beds daily.

If need be, he or she performs any other related duty.

Required qualifications

Schooling

Be a member of the Corporation professionnelle des infirmières et infirmiers auxiliaires du Québec.

or

Hold a Diploma of Vocational Studies in Health, Assistance and Nursing or a diploma or an attestation of studies recognized as equivalent by the competent authority.