

## **Cohen Children's Medical Center of NY**

### **Full Time, Child Life Specialist**

Child Life and Creative Arts Therapies Program

Cohen Children's Medical Center

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- [JOB DETAILS](#)

Hours: Mon-Friday 11:30a-7:30p, includes a rotating weekend day approx. every 3

#### Job Description

Aids the implementation of the psychosocial program which fosters emotional, developmental, intellectual and physical growth of children in the hospital environment and outpatient setting. Helps in orientation of hospital staff to the psychosocial needs of children and their families and fosters positive hospital community relations.

#### Job Responsibility

- Aids the implementation of a program of psychosocial care for children and families designed to reduce stress, increase adaptive coping, and enhance developmental integrity by offering opportunities to play, learn, and interact with others in an emotionally and physically safe environment.
- Sets-up activity areas, and provides design input for patient areas, to promote use, orientation, and personalization, and provide comfort and security.
- Helps in facilitating play and activities which promote self-healing, self-expression, understanding and mastery in an individual and group setting.
- Uses developmentally appropriate play experiences as a primary tool in assessing and meeting the child's psychosocial needs in the health-care setting.

- Assists the development of a plan-of-care based on assessment of child's development, temperament, coping style, medical plan and available social support using therapeutic play as a diagnostic and treatment tool.
- Compiles and organizes daily and monthly statistics using daily assessment tool.
- Helps in orientation/teaching/preparation of patients and family regarding health-care experiences and personnel.
- Performs related duties as required. All responsibilities noted here are considered essential functions of the job under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Duties not mentioned here, but considered related are not essential functions.

#### Job Qualification

- Bachelor's Degree required, or equivalent combination of education and related experience.
- Current Child Life Specialist Certification required, plus specialized certifications as needed.
- 0-1 years of relevant experience, required

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