







Segment: Health & Nutrition Job Role: Speech therapist

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Interview checklist						
Role Description	Practitioner specializing in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of communication and swallowing disorders in individuals to help them maintain, promote or improve the ability to communicate verbally and nonverbally, addressing disorders and disabilities in the cranial, facial, and oral area					
Typical roles and responsibilities	 Educate patients and their families about cognitive-communication disorders (e.g. stammers, stutters, Tourette syndrome, mutism etc.) and swallowing disorders Evaluate, diagnose, and treat children & adults' language, speech, and swallowing disorders by administering hearing or speech or language tests and planning and conducting treatment programs Use evidence-based standards of the practice to determine the nature of the disorders (illness, stroke, injury etc.) and potential solutions of the problem Counsel and guide hearing and language-impaired individuals, their families, teachers and employees Prescribing hearing aids and other assistive devices according to patients' needs and instructing them in their use 					
Key Competency	Science and practice supporting holistic early childhood development					
Proficiency Descriptor	 Understand impact of early years and importance of addressing child's holistic development Apply evidence-based strategies for promoting child and family development (incl. appropriate use of technology) Demonstrate understanding of individual differences and fluctuations in children's development and learning that must be responded to reflectively and appropriately Use appropriate tools and techniques to assess child development; organizing results so information can be used for further assessment and planning purposes in providing timely care and interventions Interact with kindness, warmth, and care, expressing respect, appreciation and understanding of individual needs, creating a healthy, welcoming, and age-appropriate environments for them Understand and demonstrate respect for processes, protocols, and procedures for protecting privacy and confidentiality of the children, respective families, and colleagues 					
Evidence for ability & knowledge	Please indicate evidence provided by candidate on proficiency from previous work experience, education & research					
Rating Scale	1 2 3 4 5 Adverse Evidence No Evidence Some Evidence Sufficient Evidence Strong Evidence					















		С	В	Α	A+		
Interviewer's Rating		Major gaps which may derail overall	Minor gaps with potential to	Proficient	Strongly Proficient		
		performance	improve				
Key Competency	Child wellness: he	alth, nutrition, and	safety				
Proficiency Descriptor	 Familiar with science regarding healthy early childhood development and use of strategies with children and their parents to support physical growth, emotional well-being, and adequate nutrition Understand the influence of adverse childhood experiences on life-long health and social consequences Familiar with child protection laws, policies and protocols for reporting child neglect, abuse, exploitation or exposure to violence; taking adequate actions when children are under similar kinds of threat Aware of safety issues that affect children and factors and practices that reduce or increase risk to child safety and able to provide first aid / CPR procedures Promote home and community safety in partnership with parents across all spaces to prevent unintentional injuries, disease, or death of the child 						
Evidence for ability & knowledge	Please indicate evidence provided by candidate on proficiency from previous work experience, education & research						
Rating Scale	1 2 3 4 5 Adverse Evidence No Evidence Some Evidence Sufficient Evidence Strong Evidence						
Interviewer's Rating	C B A A+ Major gaps which may derail overall performance improve A A+ B A A+ Proficient Strongly proficient proficient						
Key Competency	Family and community						
Proficiency Descriptor	 Understand the critical importance of the family environment (physical, social) for child's wellbeing overall development, functioning, and learning Aware of the importance of high-quality interactions between parents and the child, and between practitioners and parents; able to interact with parents in a timely, transparent, respectful, and accountable manner Establish relationships with parents based on mutual understanding, trust, and cooperation; using effective strategies to engage family members with diverse backgrounds using a variety of ways to communicate (e-mail, phone) Listen to and involve parents in all decisions regarding the child's safety, healthy development, and learning; creates opportunities for parents to strengthen their parental skills 						















	 Aware of community resources to support child and family development and functioning and accordingly able to partner effectively with key stakeholders 						
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Interviewer's Rating		C Major gaps which may derail overall performance	B Minor gaps with potential to improve	A Proficient	A+ Strongly proficient		
Key Competency	Diversity and inclu	ision					
Proficiency Descriptor	 Treat all children and their families with fairness, empathy, understanding, dignity, and respect; understanding how discrimination based on diversity can impact lives and prospects of children Adapt practices, communication and services to reflect each child's and family's characteristics, strengths, beliefs and special needs Use different strategies to make each child and family feel welcomed and respected regardless of their background, language, socio-economic status, ability or gender Address own biases toward children, families and communities to avoid stereotypical or judgmental reactions and to advance child's development 						
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Rating Scale	1 2 3 4 5 Adverse Evidence No Evidence Some Evidence Sufficient Evidence Strong Evidence						
Interviewer's Rating		C Major gaps which may derail overall performance	B Minor gaps with potential to improve	A Proficient	A+ Strongly proficient		
Key Competency	Professionalism and professional growth						
Proficiency Descriptor	 Identify proudly as an ECD professional and promote professional and personal integrity in all interactions, while aware of relevant professional code of conduct for their profession, if applicable Use professional competencies and standards for ECD practitioners as guidance for own professional development and as a continuous learning process 						















	 Familiar with effective and evidence-based strategies and tools for improving the quality of their practice and aware of Abu Dhabi's ECD practitioner competencies and standards Apply information from professional meetings, seminars, workshops, as well as print and digital resources to stay abreast of and deepen professional knowledge 						
Evidence for ability & knowledge		Please indicate evidence provided by candidate on proficiency from previous work experience, education & research					
Rating Scale	1 Adverse Evidence	1 2 3 4 5 Adverse Evidence No Evidence Some Evidence Sufficient Evidence Strong Evidence					
Interviewer's Rating	C B A A+ Major gaps which Minor gaps with Proficient Strongly may derail overall potential to performance improve						
Key Competency	Coordination acro	ss practitioner role	s and professional	settings			
Proficiency Descriptor	 Cooperate and coordinate with others to facilitate children's and families' access and transition to services to support overall child and family development and well-being Familiar with variety of practitioner roles across ECD services; cooperating and coordinating with them for joint planning, service delivery and evaluation of outcomes to support child and family development and well-being Demonstrate collegiality and is respectful of each other's functions, responsibilities, strengths, skills, and expertise when working with other practitioners Please indicate evidence provided by candidate on proficiency from previous work experience,						
Evidence for ability & knowledge	education & research						
Rating Scale	1 2 3 4 5 Adverse Evidence No Evidence Some Evidence Sufficient Evidence Strong Evidence						
Interviewer's Rating		C Major gaps which may derail overall performance	B Minor gaps with potential to improve	A Proficient	A+ Strongly proficient		
Key Competency	UAE culture and heritage						
Proficiency Descriptor	 Aware of the UAE's heritage, culture, and Islamic values; demonstrating appreciation and respect in interactions Aware of the diverse cultures, religions, traditions, ethnicities, and races that live in the UAE, showing sensitivity while communicating and engaging with the UAE community and promoting core values 						















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Interviewer's Rating		C Major gaps which may derail overall performance	B Minor gaps with potential to improve	A Proficient	A+ Strongly proficient	





