SHELTER ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



Patient Care Assistant Job Aid

READ THIS ENTIRE JOB AID BEFORE TAKING ACTION

Reports to:	Nursing Lead
Reporting to you:	n/a
General job overview:	Assists clients with basic health needs to enable clients to maintain independence while in
	shelter. Upholds infection prevention control practices. Addresses and advises on public
	health issues as needed
Knowledge	Minimum Required Qualifications:
and training:	Red Cross Shelter Fundamentals Training
	• ICS-100, ICS-200, ICS-700, ICS-800
	Preferred to have work experience with clients in a clinical setting
	Recommended Training:
	Current CPR and AED Certification or Basic First Aid refresher-online
	Mental Health First Aid or Psychological First Aid

INITIAL ACTIONS

- ☐ Begin an ICS 214 form documenting work start and end times, any notable occurrences and activities completed during your shift.
- Review
 - Cabarrus County Sheltering SOG
 - Shelter Rules
 - · Patient Care Assistant Job Aid
 - · C-MIST Worksheet (American Red Cross Form)
- ☐ Ensure all necessary supplies are within the public health shelter kit(s). Notify Nursing Lead if additional supplies are needed.
- □ Support Public Health Nurse (PHN) in providing the clinical function within a general population shelter.

DAILY SHELTER OPERATIONS

- ☐ Sign in and out at the Staff Area, including leaving for breaks.
- □ Complete an ICS 214 documenting your shift start and end times, any notable occurrences and activities completed during your shift.
- □ Assist Public Health Nurse (PHN) with completion of ARC paperwork (CMIST, etc.) with clients and caregivers and coordinating the Health Services Station
- ☐ Assist PHNs at the screening station and isolation rooms, if necessary.
- ☐ Ensure client living/sleeping area is kept clean
- ☐ Assist PHN with monitoring client population's health (presence of chronic disease, communicable disease and injuries).
- ☐ Report all issues to the Nursing Lead.

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☐ Turn all paperwork over to the Nursing Lead.
☐ Assist with setup of client transport by EMS or pre-identified transportation provider if client is placed out of the
shelter.
☐ Assist PHN with providing basic first aid, as needed.
☐ Requesting interpretation or translation assistance for clients.
SHELTER CLOSING ACTIONS
□ Demobilize shelter equipment.
Use list below as a guide to ensure all shelter equipment is accounted for.
Clean and disinfect equipment as necessary.
Make note of any items from supply list below that will need to be restocked.
Report any missing or broken equipment to the Nursing Lead
☐ Notify Nursing Lead of any assistance needed with demobilizing Health Services Area especially as related to
removing and transporting equipment.
☐ Ensure that the Health Services Area has been thoroughly cleaned.
☐ Perform final walk through of Health Services Area.
☐ Notify Nursing Lead of any damages to the shelter facility that cannot be resolved prior to closure.
☐ Ensure all client paperwork is filed securely.
☐ Turn in equipment received and completed ICS 214 forms and sign out.

PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT SUPPLY LIST		
Item		
Agency ID		
Masks & gloves of preference		
Clothes appropriate for weather; dress in layers		
Comfortable shoes		
Change of clothes as back-up		
Any personal medical related items that you feel like you might need		
Personal prescription & over-the-counter medicines needed for duration of shift		
Snacks based on dietary needs or preference		
Cell phone, charger, earbuds		
List of important phone numbers		
Flashlight & batteries		
Coloring books/crayons, deck of cards, board games, puzzles, or other stress reducers you do not mind leaving behind when demobilized.		

☐ Provide input to the Nursing Lead for the After-Action Report and Corrective Action Plan.

All clinical equipment necessary for nurses to fulfill their role in a general population shelter will be provided in CHA's stocked shelter kits. Complete list of items included in each shelter kit can be found in the Sheltering SOG materials.