

Alberta Health Services (AHS) and the Health Sciences Association of Alberta (HSAA)

This classification specification identifies representative duties and responsibilities, and is intended to assist in the determination of the appropriate classification level within each discipline. Some duties and responsibilities may overlap between class levels. The classification specification is not intended to provide an exhaustive list of all duties performed.

Classification Title: **Polysomnographic Technologist II**

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Job Summary:

The Polysomnographic Technologist II is responsible for the coordination of sleep studies including care of patients and analysis of findings.

Work at the Polysomnographic Technologist II level is differentiated from work at Polysomnographic Technologist I level by the added responsibilities in coordinating sleep programs.

Key Responsibilities and Typical Duties:

In addition to the duties of the Polysomnographic Technologist I, the Polysomnographic Technologist II:

Core Duties

- Prepares comprehensive analysis of all polysomnographic studies.
- Coordinates all aspects of studies and schedules follow up appointments.
- Maintains patient compliance reports and information reports.
- Liaises with equipment suppliers and manufacturers.
- Maintains quality control/quality assurance records for specialized equipment and reports status to the appropriate individual(s).
- Ensures all vital statistics are being documented according to departmental policies.
- Verifies the statistics and discusses them with the appropriate individual(s).

Leadership

- Assigns and prioritizes workload of the Polysomnographic Technologist I's.
- Provides education and training to new staff and other health care providers.
- Provides functional/collegial guidance to other staff members.

Decision-Making

- Assesses and modifies therapeutic procedures.
- Determines when and if further testing procedures are required for a patient.

Knowledge:

Education

- Polysomnographic Training Program **plus** graduation from accredited Respiratory Therapy, EEG Technology or Nursing Program.

Registration Requirements

- Registered with the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologist (BRPT).

Working Conditions:

Physical Demands

- Extensive computer use.
- Standing, walking, bending, or sitting for extended periods of time.
- May assist with patient transfers.

Work Environment

- Exposure to needlesticks and bio-hazardous materials.
- Works in low light conditions.