CHILDREN’S AUTHORITY OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
JOB DESCRIPTION - NURSE

Job Title: Nurse
Department: Assessment
Section: Care Services
Reports to: Team Lead, Assessment Centre

JOB SUMMARY

The Nurse will support the Paediatrician and other members of the Assessment team in providing strategic and professional management, intervention and care for children who are being assessed at the Assessment Centre. The Nurse will safeguard and promote the welfare of the child and will interact with the child and guardian to get information on medical history and health status to determine the level of medical investigation and treatment required.

The Nurse will be required to conduct basic medical screening when assigned to do so.

These services will be delivered in keeping with best practice, while respecting and promoting the rights of the child; showing sensitivity to children’s issues.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

i. Provide professional nursing services to support clinical assessments and examinations provided by the Medical Doctor.

ii. Assist the Medical Doctor with medical examinations, the collection of information and maintenance of records on the patient.

iii. Ensure that the services delivered at the Assessment Centre contribute toward safeguarding children by working closely with the members of the team inclusive of the Psychologist, Paediatrician and Children’s Services Associate/Social Worker.

iv. Contribute towards the development of policy and procedure by providing expert health advice on child protection issues.

v. Provide advice to stakeholder agencies on health issues relevant to safeguarding children.

vi. Perform other related duties to support the intervention team in order to safeguard and promote the welfare of the child.
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Degree in Nursing from a recognised and certified institution.
- Registered with the Nursing Council of Trinidad and Tobago.
- Training in paediatrics will be an asset.
- At least one (1) years’ experience in clinical practice.
- Any other equivalent combination of training and experience will be considered.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Confidentiality with respect to information records concerning families and children.
- Ability to use tact and be sensitive when dealing with patients and families.
- Demonstrable interest in children, their needs and rights.
- Child-friendly approach to working with children.