

JOB TITLE:

PARENT – INFANT

JOB PURPOSE:

KEEPS INFANT SAFE AND SOOTHED

by

identifying life's threats; protecting against hazards; keeping infant in safe positions in safe surroundings; providing exposure to music; talking and reading to infant; holding infant with gentle confidence; recognizing that infants cry to communicate; introducing new foods in positive ways; promoting curiosity; providing a variety of sights and sounds; welcoming different and new personal dimensions; preparing for the future; never giving up; loving unconditionally and always.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

1. PROVIDES A SAFE HOME

by

identifying life's threats; protecting against hazards; determining safest sleep position; ensuring that the cradle, bassinet, or crib is sturdy and located in a safe place; minimizing risk of SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome); keeping soft materials, such as pillows, comforters, and stuffed animals out of the crib; hanging mobiles securely and out of infant's reach; practicing safe bathing techniques; making certain that formulas and foods do not become contaminated.

2. CREATES A POSITIVE INFANT-REARING CLIMATE

by

loving unconditionally; providing nurturing experiences; providing exposure to music; talking and reading in a calming, soothing voice; promoting curiosity; providing a variety of sights and sounds.

3. COMFORTS INFANT

by

handling infant with gentle confidence; making the infant aware of you; gently touching and talking to the infant; lifting correctly; recognizing communication for hunger, tiredness, over-stimulation, new diaper, gas, boredom, or even loneliness; building trust through responsiveness.

4. MAINTAINS INFANT'S HEALTH

by

following nutritional and health guidelines; finding ways to reduce stress; maintaining physical check-up and immunization schedules; adhering to prescribed medication routines and dosages.

5. PROVIDES NUTRITIOUS MEALS

by

ensuring quality water; following diet requirements to produce quality breast milk; selecting recommended formulas; planning healthy menus; preparing shopping lists; shopping for groceries and/or prepared foods; introducing new foods in positive ways; noting improvements and modifications for future meal planning.

6. RE-KINDLES PERSONAL SPIRIT

by

recognizing signs of stress; taking a break; spending time with supportive friends and family; consulting physician and pediatrician for guidance; taking time to reflect on results; resting; re-examining directions; choosing paths to follow; avoiding dissuasion; committing energy; moving forward.

7. PREPARES FOR INFANT'S FUTURE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

by

establishing objectives; promoting curiosity; exploring and evaluating options; developing educational and financial plans; reviewing care options if unable to raise infant to adulthood; creating legal documents and other protections.

8. CONTRIBUTES TO INFANT'S INTELLECTUAL AND PHYSICAL ADVANCEMENTS

by

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