## **UPWARD MOBILITY PROGRAM**

## Annotated Guide

<u>Target Title</u>: **Activity Therapist** <u>Position Title Code</u>: 00157 Salary Grade: RC-062-15

Credential or Certificate: Credential

Positions are in Mental Health facilities and Rehabilitation facilities. There are two rehabilitation schools in Jacksonville--a school for the hearing impaired and one for the visually impaired. In Chicago, the positions are at the Illinois Institute for the Developmentally Disabled. Job responsibilities include developing and carrying out activities for mentally impaired and developmentally disabled residents in the areas of music, art, and physical education. Employees are part of a treatment or habilitation team, whose purpose is to increase the functioning of clients.

## Minimum Training and Experience

Possession of a Bachelor's degree with a major in therapeutic recreation, music therapy, art therapy, dance therapy, drama therapy, leisure studies or recreation with specialization in recreational therapy, including successful completion of an approved internship, field work, or practicum.

NOTE: Experience cannot be substituted for the required related degree.

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Meeting the educational requirements listed on this annotated guide will entitle the participant to be evaluated as QUALIFIED which is equal to a "B" grade.

Exceeding the minimum educational requirements by at least one-year of full-time related professional therapeutic experience will generally entitle the participant to be evaluated with an "A" grade.

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