

## **CAMP LOWELL SURGERY CENTER: JOB DESCRIPTION**

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**JOB TITLE:** Perianesthesia Nurse  
**CLASSIFICATION:** Non-Exempt

**DATE REVISED:** January 2015

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### **SUMMARY DESCRIPTION**

The job description for the Perianesthesia Nurse incorporates the American Society of Perianesthesia Nursing Standards and Guidelines (ASPAN). The Perianesthesia Nurse is accountable for providing all aspects of perianesthesia care according to established policies and procedures, and reports to the Director of Nursing.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Demonstrates ability to function in the perianesthesia nurse role for ambulatory surgical procedures.
2. Utilizes the nursing process for patient assessment, problem identification, and any interventions.
3. Prepares patients for surgical procedures.
4. Physiologically monitors patients during procedures as required.
5. Administers and documents medications, solutions and treatments as prescribed.
6. Assists physicians with examinations, procedures or other patient care activities.
7. Monitors and controls the environment.
8. Provides equipment and supplies in a cost-effective manner based on patient's needs.
9. Provides timely, accurate and complete documentation.
10. Respects Patients' Rights.
11. Provides and documents patient/family teaching based on age of the patient.
12. Performs actions that demonstrate accountability.

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13. Orients, instructs, and trains assigned personnel.
14. Follows established infection control policies and procedures.
15. Assigns activity to assistive personnel based on their qualifications and patient's needs.
16. Enhances professional growth and development through participation with various programs, inservices, workshops and meetings.
17. Maintains current clinical skills and competencies.

#### **Customer Relations and Personal Behaviors:**

1. Demonstrates effective communication and interpersonal skills which promote a positive environment, teamwork and loyalty to the organization.
2. Maintains a collegial relationship with physicians to ensure quality patient care.
3. In accordance with the ambulatory surgery center philosophy, presents behaviors and actions which create a high level of customer service to patients, visitors, physicians, vendors and Surgery Center staff.
4. Demonstrates behaviors and actions which support the mission, goals and operations of the Surgery Center that also contribute to continuous service improvement.
5. Exhibits flexibility, adapting readily to changes in the work environment and/or work schedule.
6. Maintains a positive attitude, even during periods of stress and challenge.
7. Maintains positive attendance and communicate in advance any absences from work.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Current licensure in this state as a Registered Nurse.
2. Proof of current BLS training/education.
3. Completion of ACLS and PALS courses within six (6) months of date of hire.

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- 4. Previous work experience in an ambulatory perianesthesia department or a related acute care setting of no less than one (1) year.
- 5. Competence in oral and written communication skills.
- 6. Intermittent and prolonged physical mobility/activity including walking, standing, sitting, lifting up to 50 pounds, pulling and pushing of carts, equipment, etc. Must be able to bend body downward at the waist; be able to kneel.

**Please refer to the Information Systems Manager for computer access level.**

The Perianesthesia Nurse is classified as a non-exempt employee and is eligible for overtime pay according to the provisions stated in the surgery center’s personnel policies.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this job. This document is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, skills and working conditions for the persons so classified. An employee may be assigned or requested to perform other related duties.

My job description has been explained to me by my supervisor and I understand it completely. I have received a copy of my job description.

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