

**PUNXSUTAWNEY AREA HOSPITAL
POSITION DESCRIPTION ADDENDUM**

Position Title: OB / Nursery RN

Job Grade: P-2/P-3

Department: Expecting You

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MAJOR TASKS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES ADDENDUM:

Applies Electronic Fetal Monitor (EFM) as necessary; Assesses the fetal heart rate and uterine contractions; Is able to perform appropriate nursing measures as necessary for a non-reassuring fetal heart rate pattern

Demonstrates competency using PeriWatch Central Monitoring System

Manages the patient with an internal uterine pressure catheter and fetal scalp electrode; Assesses the fetal heart rate pattern and uterine contractions and is able to perform appropriate nursing measures for non-reassuring patterns.

Completes Peri Facts Educational Modules for EFM Competency Validation, at least 20 per year; Maintains a score of 90% or greater.

Performs vaginal exams. Is able to determine dilatation, effacement, and presenting part

Follows policies and documentation in the Labor / Postpartum Nursery

Cares for the patient who has received an epidural in labor; Monitors VS and pulse oximetry per protocol. Provides appropriate interventions if complications arise.

Cares for the Antepartum patient experiencing a complication of pregnancy (Preterm Labor, PIH, Hemorrhage) Follows protocols / guidelines

Administers Pitocin per protocol for Induction / Augmentation of Labor

Follows protocols for the administration of Cytotec

Assesses the patients physiological, social, emotional, and cultural needs. Makes referrals as necessary, (i.e., Home Health, Social Services, Clinical Dietician)

Administers medications to the high risk patient. Assesses the effectiveness of the medication and side effects. Performs treatments as indicated. Documents this information in the Medical Record

Performs postpartum assessments (assessing fundus, Lochia, episiotomy, breasts, elimination, circulation, and maternal / infant bonding). Documents findings appropriately

Cares for the postpartum/postoperative patient who has received an epidural in labor or for a Cesarean. Cares for the post operative patient who is receiving a continuous epidural infusion. Follows standing orders and protocols

Demonstrates the knowledge and skills necessary to provide care appropriate to the teen mother.

Manages the care of the mother experiencing an IUFD or stillbirth

Provides thorough instructions / teaching to the patients and families on procedures, disease processes, self-care and infant care. Documents instruction given and patient's response to teaching in Meditech.

Manages the care of the infant requiring Oxygen Therapy. Documents on the "Special Care Flowsheet" q 1 hour in Meditech

Follows steps of Neonatal Resuscitation at the time of delivery (Drying, position, suction, tactile stimulation, respiration, and heart rate).

Manages the care of the infant requiring cardiorespiratory monitoring

Assesses the infant for respiratory distress, congenital anomalies, and abnormalities in growth and development

Demonstrates the skills and knowledge necessary to provide appropriate care to the newborn

Demonstrates the skills necessary to perform newborn hearing screening

Completion of orientation to med/surg in a limited cross trained role to be utilized primarily in the OB float role and as necessary in an LPN assignment.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION: Graduation from an Accredited School of Nursing (Mandatory.) Certification preferred.

EXPERIENCE: Experience in specialty area preferred. Preferred Medical-Surgical experience - one year minimum.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Current Licensure by PA State Board of Nursing. Communicative and hearing abilities essential. Near visual acuity required to detect changes in patient condition. Acquiring Neonatal Resuscitation Certification within one year of employment

JOB KNOWLEDGE: Thorough knowledge of the nursing process and departmental policies and procedures. Fetal Monitoring, Vaginal Exams, Cardiorespiratory Monitoring, Neonatal Resuscitation, Peri Facts Educational Modules for EFM Competency Validation

WORKING CONDITIONS: Cuts/bruises from equipment, burns and strains. Potential exposure to and body fluids. Works in a well-lit, temperature controlled environment 100% of the day. Walks or stands most of the time on duty.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: Job related stress. Frequent reaching and handling of instruments, equipment, records, and reports. Required to bend, stoop, reach, push and pull, able to manually push and pull necessary equipment such as: Fetal Monitor Cart, Crash Cart, Wheelchairs, Litters, and Isolettes. Maximum push-pull force of 50 lbs Able to assist or independently turn and transfer patients requiring deep knee squat lifts of no more than 50 lbs.

I have read and I understand the above position description. I accept and agree to fulfill these and other temporary duties as assigned by my Supervisor.

Employee Signature

Date

Supervisor Signature

Date