

DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

Division: CONTINENTAL

Classification: ACUPUNCTURIST

Applicant Name:

Acupuncturist:

The Acupuncturist must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility, as defined by facility job description.

Definition of Care or Service:

The Acupuncturist is defined by traditional oriental medical concepts and shall not include the utilization of western medical diagnostic tests and procedures. The Acupuncture provides the following services:

- Insertion and removal of acupuncture needles into designated anatomical points to promote healing, prevent illness, or treat a wide range of health problems/medical conditions afflicting specific organs or systems of the body, from neurological, respiratory, and digestive disorders to the management of emotional tension or stress, such as relief of arthritis or chronic pain.
- Application of heat therapies to specific areas of the human body.
- Traditional oriental adjunctive therapies which may include manual, mechanical, thermal, electrical, and electromagnetic treatment, the recommendation of oriental therapeutic exercises, and, subject to federal law, the recommendation of herbs and dietary guidelines.
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA Healthcare conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians.

Setting(s):

• Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities

Supervision:

• Indirect supervision by a Physician

Evaluator: Department director, site manager or designee

Tier Level: 2

eSAF Access Required: YES

Qualifications:

- Bachelors or higher in Acupuncture or Oriental medicine
- Graduate of a school of acupuncture or traditional Oriental medicine program
- Certification as an Acupuncturist through the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM)
 - o Certification not required in Kansas
- Licensed as an Acupuncturist

NOTE: Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.

State Requirements:

• License required when practicing in Kansas or Colorado

Experience:

• N/A

Preferred Experience:

- Clinical doctorate training in oriental medicine and/or three to five years of experience practicing as an acupuncturist preferred.
- Acupuncturist with experience in an integrated clinic or healthcare setting preferred.



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Competencies:

The Acupuncturist will demonstrate:

- Basic aseptic technique
 - o Needles are sterile, nontoxic, labeled for single use
 - o Practices consistent hand hygiene
- Provide professional acupuncture services through assessment, planning, intervention and evaluation of patients
- Meet the needs of clients and the multi-disciplinary team through communication, coordination, and documentation.
- Assess, treat and evaluate patients of complementary Health and Healing within the scope of the Acupuncturists Practice Act for the State in which they are licensed.
- Communicate effectively with an interdisciplinary team including patient, family, physician, referral sources, team members, peers, support staff and management through written and verbal means.
- Document in the medical record according to facility policies and applicable regulations.
- Facilitate the delivery of age related care skills as defined by area patient population
- Assist in creating a calm and healing environment for patients and staff.
- Ensure compliance with applicable regulatory guidelines and requirements.
- Safe environment for patients
 - Uses at least two ways to identify patients before providing acupuncture
- Infection prevention
 - Practices consistent hand hygiene
 - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - Required immunizations per Division requirements
 - o Complies with Isolation precautions and disposes biohazardous materials per hospital policy
 - o Maintains sterile field

References:

Colorado Office of Acupuncture Licensure <u>https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Acupuncture</u> Colorado License Lookup: <u>https://apps.colorado.gov/dora/licensing/Lookup/LicenseLookup.aspx</u> Kansas Board of Healing Arts <u>http://www.ksbha.org/professions/LAC.shtml</u> Kansas Licensee & Registrant Profile Search: <u>https://www.accesskansas.org/ssrv-ksbhada/search.html</u>

NCCAOM Find A Practitioner Directory https://www.nccaom.org/find-a-practitioner-directory/

NCCAOM State certification requirements <u>https://www.nccaom.org/state-licensure/</u>

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Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.

Applicant Printed Name:
Signature:
Date: