

#### **Division: CONTINENTAL**

#### Classification: ROUNDING NURSE

#### **Applicant Name:**

#### **Rounding Nurse:**

The Rounding Nurse 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 Rounding Nurse assists the physician with daily hospital rounds. Scope of Service may include:

- Make patient rounds independent of a physician
  - Record own progress notes
  - Transcribe verbal orders of the supervising physician
  - o Assess and record own observations of the patient's physical and/or mental status
- <u>RNs at Sky Ridge Medical Center</u>
  - Perform pre-epidural assessment including patient's medical history, medication, allergies, surgical and peripartum experiences
  - Assist the anesthesiologist in epidural placement including patient positioning, equipment preparation, consent verification, and patient education
  - Report and help manage common side effects of existing epidurals including hypotension, inadequate pain relief, itching, and nausea with medication and IV fluids as ordered by the Anesthesiologist.
  - Document the progress of the laboring patient
  - Assist the anesthesiologist in the OB OR
  - o Assist the anesthesiologist with the treatment of any post-partum complications
  - o Assist the anesthesiologist with placement of epidural blood patches
  - Have access to controlled substances
- RNs at Sky Ridge Medical Center and Swedish Medical Center only
  - Assist the anesthesiologist in gathering data for patients receiving a block prior to surgery (i.e., patient's medical and surgical history, allergies and current medications)
  - Assist the anesthesiologist in block placement. Types of blocks include axillary, bier, brachial plexus, interscalene, infraclavicular, supraclavicular, paravertebral, fascia ililac, sciatic, lumbar plexus, popliteal, saphaneous, transversus abdominis plane (TAP) block.
  - Assist the anesthesiologist in all aspects of the block preparation under the direct supervision of the anesthesiologist including patient positioning, equipment and medication preparation, consent verification and patient education)
  - o Monitor the patient using pulse oximetry, EKG monitor and blood pressure monitor
  - Place oxygen at the request of the anesthesiologist
- Observes, evaluates and reports clinical findings to the supervising physician
  - o Documents these findings in the medical record
- Provides patient and family education
- Complies with hospital and medical staff policy and procedures for accepting and documenting telephone orders from the supervising physician



- Complies with hospital and medical staff policy and procedure specific to:
  - i. Restraints
  - ii. Do Not Resuscitate (DNR)
  - iii. High Alert Medications (Including chemotherapy)
  - iv. Investigational Drugs
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include HCA code of conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians
- **NOTE:** Rounding Nurse medical record entries will not be accepted for physician designated responsibilities such as but not limited to; physician rounds, history and physical or discharge summary. Services will not exceed the scope of practice described in the Colorado Nurse Practice Act.
- Demonstrates 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, imaging centers, and physician practices
- Patient care areas, all settings

### Supervision:

- Direct supervision by at least one member of the medical staff with clinical privileges
  - o Indirect supervision by the nursing department director or designee

Evaluator: Supervising physician in conjunction with the nursing department director or designee

# Tier Level: 2

# eSAF Access Required: YES

**Qualifications:** 

- High School Diploma or higher
  - o LPN's only
- Associates degree or higher
  - o RN's only
- Currently licensed as a RN or LPN
- American Heart Association or Red Cross health care provider BLS Certification

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:

• Current licensure as a LPN in the state of practice or current licensure as a RN is the state of practice

# Experience:

• At least one year practicing as a RN or LPN

# Competencies:

- Rounding Nurse will demonstrate:
  - A safe environment for patients
    - Uses at least two ways to identify patients before assessing, treating or performing a procedure
    - Participates in the pre-procedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site and involves the patient in the verification process when possible
    - Certificate of attendance at a PICC line class, if providing this service.
  - Accurate patient information review and evaluation



- o Collects and documents assessment data in the medical record
  - Entries in the medical record are countersigned by the attending physician within 24 hours
- Facilitates communication between the physician, patient, family and nursing staff
- Educates patients and their family about the medical treatment plan and discharge plans
- Notifies the appropriate member of the interdisciplinary patient care team of issues that require immediate intervention or attention
- RNs with South Denver Anesthesiology in OB/L&D at Sky Ridge Medical Center
  - Establishment of competency requirements according to the Competency Validation Checklist developed by Sky Ridge Medical Center Medical Staff and South Denver Anesthesiology.
  - Evidence of ongoing competency through feedback from a minimum of two physicians, one of whom is the sponsoring anesthesiologist (required for reappointment)
  - Case logs of procedures performed in within the past two years (required for reappointment)
- RNs with South Denver Anesthesiology in main operating rooms at Sky Ridge Medical Center and Swedish Medical Center only:
  - Establishment of competency requirements according to the Competency Validation Checklist developed by Sky Ridge Medical Center Medical Staff and South Denver Anesthesiology.
  - Evidence of ongoing competency through feedback from a minimum of two physicians, one of whom is the sponsoring anesthesiologist (required for reappointment)
  - Case logs of procedures performed in within the past two years (required for reappointment)
  - o On-the-job training done by the anesthesiologist.
  - Attendance at a Block Nursing Course (available 4/2013) or on-the-job training as documented through South Denver Anesthesiology (including block form competency and block form sign off sheet).
  - Annual competency evaluation with feedback from two anesthesiologists and review of procedures performed.
- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) when required
  - Required immunizations per Division requirements
  - Complies with Isolation precautions
  - Maintains sterile field

#### **References:**

Nursing Compact States & Nurse Licensure: <u>https://www.travelnursing.com/what-is-travel-nursing/nursing-</u>compact-states/

Nursys: https://www.nursys.com/LQC/LQCTerms.aspx

Kansas License Verification <u>https://www.kansas.gov/ksbn-verifications/search/records</u>

Colorado Professional or Business License <u>https://apps.colorado.gov/dora/licensing/Lookup/LicenseLookup.aspx</u>

# **Document Control:**

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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:	