



# DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

<b>Division: MIDAMERICA</b>
<b>Classification: CERTIFIED POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC (PSG) TECHNOLOGIST</b>
<b>Applicant Name:</b>

<p><b>Certified Polysomnographic (PSG) Technologist:</b> The Certified Polysomnographic (PSG) Technologist must have equivalent qualifications and competence as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility.</p>
<p><b>Definition of Care or Service:</b> The Certified Polysomnographic (PSG) Technologist performs sleep tests and works with the physician to provide information needed for sleep disorder diagnosis. Scope of Service may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitors brain waves, eye movements, muscle activity and multiple breathing variables</li> <li>• Assesses blood oxygen levels during sleep using specialized recording equipment</li> <li>• Interprets sleep recordings and responds appropriately to emergencies</li> <li>• Provides support services related to the treatment of sleep problems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Assists patients with sleep devices</li> <li>○ Helps patients develop good sleeping habits</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Documents physician orders appropriate to field of specialty</li> <li>• Documents the procedure in the medical record</li> <li>• 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</li> </ul>
<p><b>Setting(s):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, outpatient treatment facilities, clinics and physician practices</li> </ul>
<p><b>Supervision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indirect supervision by the department director, supervisor or designee</li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluators:</b> Department director, designee, manager in conjunction with supervising physician</p> <p><b>Tier Level:</b> 2</p> <p><b>eSAF Access Required:</b> YES</p>
<p><b>Qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• High school/GED or higher</li> <li>• Certified or eligible for certification by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technology (BRPT)</li> </ul> <p><b>Preferred Qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion of an accredited program leading to an associate degree with an emphasis on Polysomnography preferred</li> <li>• One year Polysomnography program associated with a state license and/or a nationally accredited educational facility preferred</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> 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.</p>
<p><b>State Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Mississippi</u> does not require Associates Degree and On the job training is acceptable and should be notated on the Skills Checklist and LOC.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Experience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One year experience as a Polysomnographic Technologist</li> </ul>



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**Competencies:**

The Certified Polysomnographic (PSG) Technologist will demonstrate:

- Safe and effective operation of Polysomnographic equipment
- Obtains quality diagnostic outputs consistently
- Performs equipment care and maintenance
  - Demonstrates effective infection control practices related to equipment operation
- Accurate patient information review and evaluation
- Uses at least two ways to identify patients before treating or performing a procedure
  - Verifies that the requested procedure correlates with the patient’s clinical history, presentation and physician order
  - 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
  - Accesses the patient medical record appropriately
  - Documents in the medical record according to the facility standard / policy
- Appropriate Diagnostic Examination Results
- Performs Polysomnographic (PSG) preparation procedures, including calibrating equipment, applying electrodes and sensors, and fitting positive airway pressure masks
- Performs Polysomnographic (PSG) procedures, including polysomnography studies for evaluating disordered breathing, multiple sleep latency testing (MSLT) studies, and positive airway titration (PAP) studies
- Scores PSG tests, which include polysomnography, MSLT and PAP studies
- Implements appropriate therapeutic interventions during examination
  - Implements continuous and bi-level positive airway pressure
  - Administers oxygen
- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - Required immunizations per Division requirements
  - Complies with Isolation precautions

**References:**

Clinical Privilege White Paper, Polysomnographic Technologist, Practice Area 192 (2003). Retrieved from

<http://www.online-crc.com/content/61382.pdf?CFID=7713366&CFTOKEN=36540916>

Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technology (BRPT) <http://www.brpt.org/>

**Document Control:**

- Previously named Polysomnographic (PSG) Technologist-Certified
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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:** \_\_\_\_\_