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JOB DESCRIPTION

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POSITION: ED Nurse Manager	STATUS: Salaried, Exempt
DEPARTMENT: Emergency Department	DATE EFFECTIVE: 09/01/2014
DIRECTLY REPORTS TO: Chief Nursing Officer	REVISED: 11/2024
INDIRECTLY REPORTS TO: ED Medical Director	
SUPERVISES: ED Paramedics/RNs	SECURITY LEVEL: Medium

PRIMARY FUNCTION & POSITIONAL PURPOSE

Manages and oversees staff and workflows in the Emergency Department. Responsible for the continuous improvement of the Emergency Department by exhibiting a leadership role which supports the hospital's mission, vision, goals and objectives, while focusing on the patients, providers, employees and the community as customers. Accountable for the ongoing assessment, improvement, coordination and integration of the department services and standards of care. Key focus is on strategic planning, continuous improvement and staff development.

POSITIONAL ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Essential functions are those tasks, duties, and responsibilities that comprise the means of accomplishing the job's purpose and objectives. Essential functions are critical or fundamental to the performance of the job. They are the major functions for which the person in the job is held accountable.

- 1. Serves as the Trauma Coordinator for VBCH, a Level 4 Trauma Center, coordinating routine meetings, data collection, reviewing trauma alerts, and other duties related to the Iowa Trauma System.
 - a. Analyzes trends and addresses any issues through follow up or education
- 2. Analyzes data to identify any opportunities or trends in injuries in order to develop and implement injury prevention strategies.
 - a. Staff and community education
- 3. Participates in cooperative planning with other hospital and clinic department personnel to provide maximum patient care.
- 4. Understands the triage process and assists staff with quick and accurate assessments about incoming patients, including both physical and mental health conditions.
- 5. Reviews protocols, policies and procedures on a routine / established basis. Collaborates with appropriate disciplines when changes are needed
 - a. Updates based on best practices
- 6. Responsible for scheduling ED. May need to work with Ambulance Manger due to staff overlapping
- 7. Responsible for coordinating routine staff meetings and educational competencies for ED staff. May need to work with Ambulance Manager due to staff overlap.
- 8. Responsible for quality assurance audits, trauma data and performance improvement within the ED department.
- 9. Manages ED staff on assigned tasks and completion.
- 10. Responsible coaching / disciplining employees who don't fulfill their job requirements or provide inadequate patient care.
- 11. Completes all annual evaluations.

- 12. Submits payroll on a biweekly status for all ED staff members. May need to work with other leaders for employees who work in multiple departments.
- 13. Develops and manages capital and operating fiscal year budgets for department.
 - a. Adjusts accordingly to meet metrics
 - b. Communicates to staff current standing of budget
- 14. Assigns staff to participate in the "Follow-up Phone call" program and report out data to Quality.
- 15. Works with CNO to align department strategic planning with VBCH Strategic Plan.
- 16. Adapts to performing a variety of duties, often changing from one task to another without loss of efficiency.
- 17. Able to maintain both a high standard of courtesy and cooperation in dealing with co-workers, patients, and visitors, models organizational beliefs and values.
- 18. Completes or delegates ED department charges.
- 19. Establishes and leads a Community Education Program.
- 20. Responsible for department scheduling, approving timekeeping, employee annual evaluations, meeting applicable regulatory standards, approving supply orders and department strategic planning.
- 21. Serves as a role model by modeling VBCH core values and standards of behavior.
- 22. Must be able to safely work in an environment where latex is prevalent.
- 23. Complete annual education requirements.
- 24. Attend meetings as appropriate.
- 25. Maintains regulatory requirements.
- 26. Stays up-to-date with industry matters by reading/attending educational presentations.
- 27. Participates or leads committees and meetings as appropriate.

Further Requirements: The position is a working manager position and requiring approximately 50% of allocated time to front line maintenance and other plant operations duties. The position may be called upon from time to time to provide coverage for the Ambulance Driver position. When on call, the position must be immediately available via phone to respond to hospital calls and to be onsite within 30 minutes from notification.

MANAGERIAL ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Managerial Essential Functions are those tasks, duties, and responsibilities that are necessary for every VBCH manager to utilize in order to accomplish the organization's purpose and objectives. Essential functions are critical or fundamental to the performance of the job. They are the expectations for which every person is held accountable.

- 1. Consistently models all One Culture Behaviors
- 2. Displays a growth mindset and commits to fostering the growth and development of assigned employees.
- 3. Coordinates multiple projects simultaneously to ensure completion of projects in a timely manner and to established expectations.
- 4. Develops budgets and maintains expenses within those budgetary guidelines.
- 5. Ability to define problems, collect data, establish facts, and draw valid conclusions.
- 6. Effectively manages time and leads a team.
- 7. Ability to read and interpret federal, state and local codes and requirements.
- 8. Ability to maintain records and prepare comprehensive reports for leadership and/or the Board of Trustees.
- 9. Ability to train and supervise assigned staff including organizing, prioritizing, and scheduling work assignments.
- 10. Serves as a department resource to assist in policy development, interpreting statistics, goal setting, etc.

ALL EMPLOYEE ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

All Employee Essential Functions are those tasks, duties, and responsibilities that are necessary for every VBCH position to accomplish the organization's purpose and objectives. Essential functions are critical or fundamental to the performance of the job. They are the expectations for which every person is held accountable.

- 1. Attendance at work on a regular and reliable basis.
- 2. Maintains patient, hospital and, employee confidentiality in all aspects of the job.
- 3. Meets with supervisor concerning policies and procedures, work assignments, financials and other functional problems. Keeps supervisor informed of department activities and needs.
- 4. Complies with all established policies and procedures of the hospital and of the department, to include the Code of Conduct and the Code of Ethics and Compliance.
- 5. Must be able to safely work in an environment where latex is prevalent.
- 6. Complete annual education requirements.
- 7. Attend meetings as appropriate.
- 8. Maintains all applicable regulatory requirements, including licensure requirements when applicable.
- 9. Commits to being diligent about safety policies and practices within the organization and assigned department.
- 10. Accepts additional duties as assigned when they are deemed appropriate by the employee's supervisor.

ONE CULTURE BEHAVIORS – ALL EMPLOYEES

All employees of VBCH are expected to display the cultural values and competencies of VBCH. This is an essential function of each employee's job and all positions will be held accountable for demonstrating these behaviors.

1. Be One - I benefit from and strengthen VBCH.

- Think TEAM, not self.
 - Have a shared sense of purpose and clear goals and understand that we all make a difference
 - Appreciate diversity, recognize each individual has value and we can accomplish more together.
- Ask for help. Give help.
 - Make time for everyone. No one is an interruption. Each person is my reason for being at VBCH.
 - Be honest and open in all relationships, interactions, and in providing care.
- Communicate like your life depends upon it.
 - Take time to explain and communicate what to expect.
 - Respectfully and effectively communicate within your department and within the organization.
- 2. Personalize Care Your experience. My responsibility.
 - Bring energy and passion every day.
 - Ensure consistent care by committing 100% to each individual patient, family and staff member.
 - Deliver the best outcome and excellent service through the dedicated effort of every team member.
 - Serve the patient or support someone who does.
 - Look beyond assigned tasks and job duties and focus on your purpose.
 - Embrace supporting one another as a way of achieving greatness.
 - Invest the time to listen, care and connect.
 - Treat others as you would like to be treated with dignity, respect, care and sensitivity to privacy.
 - Reassure the patient and their family that you know the importance of your job in relation to the
- 3. Own It I own my actions to deliver Key Results.

• Step up or step aside.

- Lead by example; be honest and trustworthy, while always maintaining confidentiality.
- If unable to meet a request, find someone who can.

• Take responsibility for your attitude and impact.

- Accept personal responsibility to always do the right thing even when no one is looking.
- Take the time to do things right the first time.

• Make excellence happen.

- Follow through when you tell someone you will do something for them. Make contact with them throughout the process as well as after the task is completed.
- Realize what we do is a reflection of ourselves and our organizations.

4. Improve Daily - I make improvements every day for those we serve including each other.

• Have a "get better" mindset.

- Strive to be the best at what we do. Seek ways to continually improve patient and employee satisfaction.
- Seek out opportunities to improve skills for personal and professional growth; supporting common goals of the organization.

• Be coachable.

- Sincerely acknowledge and take corrective action when expectations are not met.
- Commit to professional and personal development.

• Seek solutions. No blaming, complaining or defending.

- Problem solve with input from each individual. Maintain a positive attitude and focus on solutions by working through challenges and conflict together.
- Focus on process when seeking solutions, not on people.

5. Innovate - I imagine and embrace bold new ideas to revolutionize health.

• Challenge the status quo. Create new possibilities.

- Look for opportunities to improve the patient, family and staff experience through innovative thinking and process improvement.
- Be an active participant in organization activities and community events.

• Be proactive and embrace change.

- Be receptive to different ideas and responses from fellow coworkers.
- Be open and willing to change to improve outcomes.

• Be curious – don't be afraid to fail.

- Be willing to go the extra mile and do what is necessary, even if that means to do things differently, to not only meet but exceed expectations.
- If you or the team fails, grow from the experience and try again.

EDUCATION, CERTIFICATION, & EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. High School diploma or equivalent is required.
- 2. Graduate of an accredited school of Nursing.
- 3. Valid and current RN license in Iowa.
- 4. Current AHA Healthcare Provider training (BLS Certification).
- 5. TNCC
- 6. ACLS
- 7. PALS

EXPER	IENCE REQUIRED
1	None
I	Less than 1 year
1	1-3 years
x3	3 – 5 years
	5 + years

WORKING ENVIRONMENT

Note: Reasonable accommodations may be made for individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of this position.

Conditions	Never 0%	Occasionally 1 - 33%	Frequent 45 – 66%	Continuous 67 - 100%
Indoors				X
Computer Operations				X
Outdoor exposure to extreme cold or extreme heat	X			
Exposure to wet and/or humid conditions	X			
Excessive Noise including patient call lights, buzzers and alarms		\boxtimes		
Dusty	X			
Vibration	X			
Exposure to Latex		\boxtimes		
Other – please explain				
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Electricity and/or Electric Shock		X		
Toxic or caustic chemicals and fumes		X		
High, exposed places	X		└	
Moving mechanical parts	X			
Machinery	X			
Power or impact tools	X			
Other – please explain				
Lift/Carry				
1 – 10 lbs			X	
11 – 20 lbs.		X		
21 – 50 lbs.		\boxtimes		
51 – 75 lbs.		X		
75+ lbs.		X		
Push/Pull				
1 – 10 lbs			X	
11 – 20 lbs.		X		
21 – 50 lbs.		\boxtimes		
51 – 75 lbs.		X		
75+ lbs.		X		
Movement				
Sitting for long periods of time				X
Bend/Stoop Twist			X	
Crouch/Squat			X	
Kneel/Crawl		X		
Reach Above the shoulders		X		

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Reach Below the shoulders		X	
Repetitive Motion (arms, writs, hands)			X
Grasping			X
Climb Stars/Ladder		X	
Uneven Walking Surface		X	
Even Walking Surface		X	
Balancing		X	
Finger usage (feeling for pulse, etc.)		X	
Communication (talking and hearing)			X
Visual Acuity for reading and computer usage			X
Visual Acuity for drawing measurements	X		

EMPLOYEE HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

- Must follow all employee health requirements including, but not limited to, the following:
 - o Employee Health screenings every 4 years after hire as required by State Law
 - o Yearly flu shots. If flu shots are denied, you will be required to wear a mask at ALL times while on duty.
 - o Covid vaccination unless exemption granted per policy.

SIGNATURES

I have read this job description and understand the physical requirements and essential job functions. I am able to perform these essential job functions with/without reasonable accommodations. Required accommodations are explained below:					
Employee Signature	Date				
Department Head Signature	Date				

DISCLAIMERS

Van Buren County Hospital has reviewed this job description to ensure that essential functions and basic duties have been included. It is not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all functions, responsibilities, skills and abilities. Additional functions and requirements may be assigned by supervisors as deemed appropriate

This job description in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee occupying this position. A review of this job description has excluded the marginal functions of the position that are incidental to the performance of fundamental job duties. All duties and responsibilities are essential job functions. Employees will be required to follow any other job-related instructions and to perform any other job related duties requested by his/her manager. Requirements are representative of the minimum levels of knowledge, skills, and/or abilities. To perform this job successfully, the employee will possess the abilities or aptitudes to perform each duty proficiently. Some requirements may exclude individuals who pose a direct threat or significant risk to the health and safety of themselves or other employees. All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities.

Non-Discrimination Policy: It is the policy of Van Buren County Hospital not to discriminate in its services, programs, or employment on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity. Van Buren County Hospital reasonably accommodates those persons with disabilities to allow for the performance of essential job functions or who may require alternative means for access. Any concerns or requests for accommodations should be directed to Annie Glick, annie.glick@vbch.org or 319-293-8754.