

ASSISTANT CHIEF PERFUSIONIST

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: Under the supervision of the Chief Perfusionist, the incumbent of this position assists in the management and supervision of the perfusion services in the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery. In addition, the incumbent is either present or on call while a procedure is being performed and must be immediately available to provide assistance and direction to the physician or clinical perfusionist while clinical perfusion services are being performed. The incumbent also serves in the operating room as a perfusionist as required. Supervision is exercised over a number of perfusionists and support staff. Does related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only)

Participates with the Chief Perfusionist in the day-to-day management of the service, including supervision, discipline, training, evaluation, and monitoring of skill sets for specific case assignments;

Resolves problems that impact the provision of perfusion services, such as staffing, equipment or ancillary service matters;

Identifies and analyzes the nature and severity of daily caseloads and assigns appropriate staff;

With the advice of the attending surgeon, schedules and prepares patients for surgical procedures and manages the case of patients with cardiac problems requiring open-heart surgery;

Maintains physiological integrity of patient while on bypass, i.e., hemodynamics, fluid, and electrolyte balance;

Monitors and records all parameters during bypass to include: flow rates, perfusion pressure, blood gasses, electrolytes, urinary output and body temperature;

Maintains all equipment used for extracorporeal circulation and related support devices;

Reports malfunctioning or defective equipment and arranges for maintenance and repair;

Participates in the evaluation of new procedures and equipment and makes recommendations regarding cost effectiveness and feasibility of use;

Acts as cost center timekeeping manager to audit the use of time by staff and reports data as required;

Provides input for the budget and makes recommendations regarding feasibility and cost-effectiveness of equipment and supply purchases;

Acts as liaison with operating room staff administrators, ancillary support departments and with the Chief Perfusionist;

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative Only) (Continued)

Ensures compliance with applicable rules and regulations related to perfusion techniques and services;

Supervises and trains members of the perfusion team in newer techniques and emergency procedures.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND ATTRIBUTES: Thorough knowledge of the operation, monitoring and maintenance of extra-corporeal pumps and related perfusionary equipment; thorough knowledge of medical technology; thorough knowledge of the techniques and equipment used in open-heart surgical procedures; ability to keep accurate records of vital statistics and replaceable items; ability to supervise a highly technical medical unit and coordinate its activities with other medical center activities; ability to work under stressful and emergency conditions; reliability; accuracy; thoroughness; sound judgment; physical condition commensurate with the requirements of the position.

MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Possession of a license and current registration issued by the New York State Education Department as a Perfusionist, and two years of experience where the primary function of the position was performing cardiovascular perfusion.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Licensure and current registration as a Perfusionist issued by the New York State Education Department must be maintained throughout employment in this title.

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