

**SPARROW HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SYSTEM
JOB DESCRIPTION**

NON-MANAGEMENT

1. Job Title: Nurse Extern 2. Date: 6/95; 6/98; 6/00; 1/01
3. Department #: _____ Department Name: _____
4. Class Code: 3600 Pay Grade: 8
5. Status: X Hourly Salaried Exempt Non-Exempt
6. Reports Directly To (Position): Department Manager

7. Purpose of Job:

The Nurse Extern provides basic patient care and performs specific procedures with patients. The Nurse Extern works under the direction and supervision of a Registered Nurse.

8. Principle Duties and Responsibilities:

- A. Demonstrates ESPRIT (behavioral) values, cooperation, and positive interpersonal relations when interacting with all persons within the Hospital environment and community.
- B. Under the direction of the Registered Nurse, the nurse extern collects and documents, demographics and patient data.
 1. V.S., Height and Weight , Demographic data
 2. Intake & Output, Foley Insertion & Removal, Accucheck
- C. Communicates significant information and changes in patient condition to Registered Nurse.
- D. Demonstrates competency in practice of procedures before performing procedure unsupervised.
- E. Seeks learning experiences and continually updates skill inventory.
- F. Maintains Hospital standards by participating in mandatory in-services and mandatory Hospital / departmental requirements.
- G. Cleans and maintains equipment and environment.
- H. Utilizes appropriate equipment and supplies to provide quality patient care.

9. Working Conditions:

- A. Potential for exposure to bloodborne pathogens and other infectious diseases.
- B. Extensive walking, standing, lifting, pulling and pushing associated with patient care.
- C. Potential exposure to chemical agents.
- D. Unpredictable mealtimes; breaks are scheduled around patient care needs.
- E. Use of Latex 100% of the time. Constant exposure to Latex environment (76% - 100%).

10. Positions That Report Directly to This Position, if any:

None

11. Knowledge, Skills, Experience Required:

- A. Currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, with successful completion of an approved Med/Surg or Peds clinical rotation.
- B. Skilled in utilizing a variety of nursing equipment.
- C. Interpersonal skills to communicate effectively and appropriately with patients, families, physicians, and other Hospital Associates.
- D. Physically able to do lifting, moving, and transporting of patients.
- E. Able to demonstrate the knowledge and skill necessary to provide care based on physical, psycho/social, educational, safety and related criteria, appropriate to the age of the patients' services in her/his assigned service area as related to the principal duties and responsibilities of the position. The skills and knowledge needed to provide such care may be gained through education, training or experience

12. Approvals:

Director: _____ **Date:** _____

Executive: _____ **Date:** _____

Human Resources: _____ **Date:** _____

This description is intended to indicate the kinds of activities and levels of work difficulty required for positions with this title and should not be construed as declaring the specific duties and responsibilities of any particular position. The duties described should not be held to exclude other duties not mentioned that are of similar kind or level of difficulty.