

DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

Division: FAR WEST

DHP Classification: CARDIAC NURSE

Name of Dependent Healthcare Professional (DHP):

Cardiac Nurse:

The Cardiac 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 Cardiac Nurse work alongside cardiologists and other healthcare providers to provide comprehensive cardiovascular care for patients with acute and chronic heart maladies. Scope of Service may include:

- Assists and educates patients undergoing an electrophysiology study procedure of the heart
- Able to diagnose, treat, and manage conditions that affect the complex cardiovascular system
- Promote optimal cardiovascular health among patients through preventative measures that involve health counseling, screening, and stress tests, as well as disease prevention and management strategies
- Evaluating and monitoring heart devices, such as pacemakers and defibrillators
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians

Setting(s):

• Surgical services areas including but not limited to hospitals and outpatient surgery centers

Supervision:

- Direct supervision by physician performing the specific procedure
 - Indirect supervision by department director, site manager or designee
- Supervision is defined by any limitations in practice that may be addressed by state law

Evaluator: Department director or designee in conjunction with supervising physician

Qualifications:

- Associates or Bachelor's degree in Nursing
- Current RN license
- Strong knowledge and training in cardiology
- American Heart Association health care provider BLS Certification

Training will be provided on skills checklist

State Requirements:

• Current RN license for the state that nurse will be practicing in.

Experience:

At least 1 yr as Certified Cardiovascular Perfusionist

Competencies:

The Cardiac Nurse will demonstrate:

- Safe and effective operation of cardiac equipment
 - Maintains equipment in good working order
 - o Demonstrates effective infection control practices related to equipment operation
- Accurate patient information review and evaluation
 - o 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



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- Participates in a time-out immediately before the start of an invasive procedure or making of the incision.
- o Accesses the patient medical record appropriately
- o Documents in the medical record according to the facility standard / policy
- Maintains a safe environment
 - o Labels containers used for blood and specimens in the presence of the patient
 - Labels all medications and solutions on and off the sterile field in perioperative and procedural settings
 - Infection Prevention
 - o Practices consistent hand hygiene
 - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
 - o Required immunizations per DHP Division requirements
 - Complies with Isolation precautions

References:

DHP Printed Name:	_ DHP Signature:
Company/Vendor:	Date: