

Department:	Ambulatory Care Services
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Reports To

Nurse Manager of Ambulatory Care Services

Job Summary

The Lead Endoscopy Technician (LVN) provides an Endoscopy assistant for total patient care and keep inventory of supplies.

Duties

- 1. Provides for safe patient care
- 2. Provides nursing care to all patients of all ages
- 3. Admission of patient to Endoscopy lab
- 4. Gathers data relevant to the patient's needs and age group
- 5. Thorough explanation of procedure pre-operatively
- 6. Verification of surgical or procedural consent and drug allergies prior to pre-operative medication being administered
- 7. Maintain a wholesome atmosphere through reassurance, to reduce pre-procedure anxiety
- 8. Recognize risk factors and complications related to Endoscopic procedures through knowledge of physical assessment
- 9. Constant updating of skills by attending in-service classes and visiting other Endoscopy departments
- 10. Cleaning and restocking of Endoscopy carts
- 11. Knowledge of where all equipment and supplies are located in the department
- 12. Efficient and orderly set up of and assistance with Endoscopic and ophthalmology procedures
- 13. Close observation of patient during procedure and post procedure
- 14. Responsible for transport of pathology specimens to laboratory
- 15. Total cleaning, sterilization and general care of endoscopes, forceps, snares, etc
- 16. Endoscopy assistant must be able to set up and assist with the following procedures:
 - a. Bronchoscopies
 - b. Colonoscopies with or without biopsies and/or polypectomies/clips
 - c. Endoscopic retrograde Cholangio-Pancreatographies

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- d. Removal of foreign bodies from esophagus
- e. Gastroscopies with or without biopsies and/or polypectomies
- f. Hemorrhoidal banding
- g. Esophageal dilations:
 - i. Maloney/Hurst
 - ii. Eder Puestow
 - iii. Pneumatic
 - iv. CRE
 - v. Savory
- h. Insertion of Blakemore tube
- i. Sclerotherapy of esophageal Varices and bandings
- j. Rigid Sigmoidoscopies
- k. Flexible Sigmoidoscopies
- 1. Argon laser ophthalmology procedures
- m. Yag laser ophthalmology procedures
- 17. Assist whenever possible in Same Day Surgery
- 18. Responsible for keeping equipment in excellent working condition
- 19. Participate in unit meetings and educational activities in order to develop skills and grow in awareness
- 20. Sends all scopes in for repair, keeps logs of expenses, and orders all Endoscopy supplies

Qualifications

- 1. Licensed vocational nurse a graduate of an accredited school of nursing and currently licensed in California
- 2. Endoscopy certification preferred
- 3. I.V. certification
- 4. Current BLS Certification

<u>Lifting Requirements</u>

Sedentary- generally not more than 10 lbs. maximum and occasionally lifting and/or carrying such articles as ledgers, files and small items.