Toiyabe Indian Health Project, Inc.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION: Patient Care Technician (PCT) Trainee

SALARY RANGE: TSS 6

SUPERVISOR: Charge Nurse

WORK STATION: Bishop Dialysis Center

NON-EXEMPT

POSITION SUMMARY: The hemodialysis tech trainee will learn to perform reprocessing of dialyzers and water testing under the direct supervision of a Dialysis Registered Nurse. Will learn all procedures and processes associated with dialysis machines under the direct supervision of a Dialysis Registered Nurse. Must complete classroom hours and successfully pass the test to become certified as a Patient Care Technician in a timely manner.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. High School diploma or equivalent.
- 2. Experience in medical field desired.
- 3. Ability to bend, crouch and lift thirty- five (35) pounds minimum throughout a twelve (12) hour shift.
- 4. Ability to communicate clearly and appropriately, both written and verbally.
- 5. Must meet all requirements regarding standards of care, confidentiality, and professional behavior per Unit and Toiyabe Indian Health Project policy.
- 6. Must be able to work with hazardous materials.
- 7. Must have a valid CA driver license and insurable with company insurance.
- 8. C.P.R. certified or certified within three months of hire.
- 9. Must be sensitive and possess an awareness and keen appreciation of Indian traditions, customs, and socioeconomic needs of the Indian community.
- 10. American Indian preference in accordance with Indian Preference Act (Title 25, U.S. Code, Sec. 472 & 473).

PATIENT CARE RESPONSIBILITIES: Under direct supervision of Dialysis RN

- 1. Assessment of chronic hemodialysis patients prior to, during, and following dialysis treatment.
- 2. Initiate, monitor, and terminate hemodialysis treatment per Unit policy, providing appropriate intervention.
- 3. Record all pertinent data using appropriate documentation.

- 4. Obtain and appropriately process laboratory specimens.
- 5. Maintain a clean and safe treatment environment meeting all OSHA, HCFA, and Unit requirements.
- 6. Treat all patients with dignity and respect.
- 7. Assist in the assessment of patient needs and in the development/evaluation of nursing care plans.
- 8. Document and report learning deficits and problems.

TECHNICAL RESPONSIBILITIES: Under direct supervision of Dialysis RN

- 9. Safe operation of current dialysis machines and equipment, identifying machine problems and reporting to appropriate staff.
- 10. Maintain cleanliness of machines and equipment at all times, to include setting up, prime and cleaning.
- 11. Follow all universal and safety precautions.
- 12. Ensure safe water treatment systems by routinely checking chloramines, sending in water samples monthly, and sterilizing the water system when needed, providing appropriate documentation.
- **13**. Operate, maintain, and sanitize the dialyzer-reprocessing machine and sterilization of *RIO* system, providing appropriate documentation.
- 14. Stock appropriate supplies and equipment in work area
- 15. Attends unit in-services, meetings, anu patient care conferences as directed by Dialysis Nurse Administrator.
- 16. Must maintain a professional attitude and conduct at all times with other staff and patients.
- 17. May participate as a member of the CQI Committee.
- 18. Other job related duties as assigned.

Description reviewed: Employee	Date
Supervisor	Date

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