

Registered Nurse Job Description

Psych – Peds, Adolescent and Adult

Name: _____ Date: _____

Essential duties and responsibilities include:

1. One year general recent psychiatric experience in a hospital setting
2. Current RN License (in good standing, without disciplinary investigation or actions)
3. Current BLS/BCLS
4. Head-to-toe assessments - knowledge of normal vs. abnormal findings and reporting of abnormal findings to Charge Nurse, M.D., if warranted
5. Critical thinking to intervene with appropriate intervention for urgent/emergent care. Care of acute and chronically ill psych patients as well as pediatric, adolescent and geriatric population as related to psychiatric disorders
6. Knowledge of basic medical emergency situations and procedures for care
7. The ability to identify and manage life-sustaining physiologic and psychiatric functions in unstable patients
8. Knowledge of psych emergencies and procedures for managing care
9. Knowledge of group/behavior mod and other interventions for assisting patients. Working with other staff toward the best outcome for all patients
10. Knowledge and care of patients with eating disorders
11. Knowledge of behavioristic charting-treatment/goal oriented
12. Knowledge of multi-disciplinary staffing and treatment team
13. Knowledge of therapeutic communication skills
14. Knowledge and management of drug/ETOH detox and symptoms
15. Knowledge and participation in psych emergency response team including rapid tranquilization
16. Knowledge and application of restraints, including 4-point, wrist and posey net full body
17. Knowledge and management of seclusion procedures
18. Knowledge and care of manic depressive, hallucination-delusions, suicidal, organic and seizure disorders
19. Other duties, as assigned

Signature: _____ Date: _____