

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Date	May 2021	
Position Title	Registered Nurse (RN) - Theatre	
Division	Clinical, Periopertive and Support Services - Theatre	
Reports to	Perioperative Services Manager	

SECTION 1

Mission, Vision and Values

Mission: - To deliver the highest quality healthcare experience for patients

Vision: - To be the preferred choice of Doctor's, Staff and Patients, recognised for the provision of high-quality medium acuity surgical services and palliative care.

Values: Bethesda Health Care is committed to the following values:

- Teamwork we create an environment of unity and togetherness
- Respect we recognise and acknowledge the uniqueness and value of every individual
- Integrity we demonstrate honesty and trust
- Compassion we work to express God's love through a caring expression of kindness, tolerance and tenderness
- Excellence we excel in all that we do so that we can promote the mission of our hospital
- Professionalism we have pride in the high level of care and service we offer

Staff are expected to demonstrate these values in the way they work and to live the positive behaviours as described in the Bethesda Health Care Code of Conduct and to contribute to and promote the positive working culture of the organisation.

SECTION 2 Position Summary and Role Purpose

Reporting to Clinical Nurses (CN) and the Perioperative Services Manager (POSM) the Registered Nurse (RN) provides evidence based perioperative and post operative nursing care to patients as well as mentoring staff and students incorporating the values of Bethesda Healthcare.

SECTION 3 Key Working Relationships

INTERNAL	EXTERNAL
Executive	VMO's
Perioperative Services Manager	Medical Companies
Clinical Nurse Managers	Nursing Agencies
Staff Development Nurse	Patients
All staff	Industry peak bodies
Stores and Supply	Nursing Agencies
Engineering	

SECTION 4



Key tasks, Responsibilities, Outcomes and Activities

Preventing and Controlling Health Care associated Infection

- Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
- Demonstrate knowledge of Hospital, ACORN, ANZCA and NQSHS policies and standards
 Medication Safety
 - Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
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Comprehensive Care

- Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
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Communicating for safety

- Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
- Demonstrate knowledge of Hospital, ACORN, ANZCA and NQSHS policies and standards

Blood Management

- Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
- Demonstrate knowledge of Hospital, ACORN, ANZCA and NQSHS policies and standards

Recognising & Responding to deteriorating patient

- Complete mandatory education and competencies to maintain knowledge and skills of best practice
- Demonstrate knowledge of Hospital, ACORN, ANZCA and NQSHS policies and standards

Key Tasks

- Teamleader in the absence of a Clinical Nurse for operating list or shift ensuring set ups/equipment/skill mix and safety checks all correct
- Check theatre lists to ensure relevant equipment/prosthesis ordered and/or available
- Assist as required to liaise with VMO's and medical companies in regard to specialty requests and equipment required
- Attend Inservice education in correct use of new and specialty equipment
- Supervising and guiding Enrolled Nurses and Patient Care Assistants.
- Troubleshooting issues as they arise and communicate efficiently Co-ordinator.
- Take direction from Clinical Nurse and Perioperative Services Manager.
- Work within scope of practice.
- Contribute to the efficient, effective and economic running of the peri-operative service
- Participate in working parties or committees as required
- Assist in review and update VMO preferences
- Maintain a professional development portfolio with a commitment to ongoing learning and development, providing coaching and mentoring for staff and students.
- Complete Annual Development Review with CN as per Hospital policy
- Assist in conflict resolution where applicable

SECTION 5

Health, Safety and the Environment

- Adhere to policies, procedures and standard operating procedures
- Report incidents, hazards and injuries
- Use personal protective equipment as required and directed
- Raise OSH issues with OSH representative/s
- Promote a safe work environment by assessing the work environment and not misusing or bypassing systems of equipment



SECTION 6

Quality and Risk

- Record initiatives and issues in Riskman
- Demonstrate a commitment to Continuous Quality Improvement through National Quality and Safety Healthcare Standards (NQSHS), Occupational Health and Safety, achievement of hospital accreditation and deliver a high standard of customer service at all times.
- Abide by Bethesda Health Care's Code of Conduct, Occupational Health and Safety legislation. Equal Opportunity Act
- Complete mandatory training and participate in development reviews

SECTION 7

Partnering with the Consumer

Acknowledging and involving patients with their care, responding to both clinical and non-clinical queries, providing assistance as appropriate, encouraging the use of formal feedback systems

SECTION 8 Selection Criteria

Qualifications

Essential

- Registered Nurse qualification and current State registration
- Current Police Check (no more than 6 months old
- Current Working with Children

Desirable

- Qualifications in specialist areas such as Perioperative Nursing Certificate
- Tertiary qualifications

Knowledge

Essential

Current Best Practice in Nursing

Desirable

- Clinical specialisation
- Quality improvement and risk management frameworks

Skills

- Well developed written and verbal communication skills
- Well developed organisation and time management skills
- Computer and keyboard skills

Experience

Essential

Commitment to improving own knowledge base and performance

Desirable

Precepting staff and students



SECTION 9 Acceptance of Position Description

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Employee	Date