

Job Description: Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse

Definition:

A Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse is a professional member of the healthcare team who provides skilled nursing care to patients in compliance with the Nurse Practice Act in the state of clinical practice. A LPN/LVN works under the direction of a supervising Registered Nurse or Physician.

Qualifications:

- Current nursing license to practice as a LPN/LVN in the state of placement
- Graduate of an accredited LPN/LVN program
- At least one (1) year professional clinical practice on the specified unit in the United States

Functions:

1. Provides total patient care in accordance with physician orders and individualized patient needs in conformance with recognized standards of nursing practice and under supervision of a registered nurse.
2. Observes and documents pertinent information that reflects the patient's clinical condition, with respect to the entire human being. Reports the same to oncoming nurses, charge nurses and physicians.
3. Maintains accurate and complex records of nursing observations and care.
4. Conducts ongoing assessments as determined by age-specific assessment of patient.
5. Performs treatments and administers prescribed medications as required and within the scope of the Nurse Practice Act in the state of placement.
6. Observes and documents patient's assessments and reactions to treatment and/or medications.
7. Collects and labels specimens as ordered by the physician for testing following the facility's policies and procedures.
8. Assists patients with personal care, ambulation, positioning and feeding, while performing basic nursing care.
9. Maintains the client facility's policies, procedures and protocols.
10. Actively participates in patient and/or family teaching, appropriately documents activity and response to instructions.
11. Cooperates in maintaining a high level of orders and safety within the unit.
12. Institutes emergency procedures to offset life-threatening situations.
13. Keeps abreast of current nursing trends and continuing education opportunities.

Physical Demands and Working Conditions:

- Work is of medium physical demand; walking and standing most of the time on duty.
- Frequent lifting and transfer of patients.
- Frequent reaching, bending, handling of instruments and caring for patient's needs.
- Hearing to distinguish differences in patient's breathing and heartbeat.
- Near-vision acuity to read gauges, medication labels and orders.
- Color vision for perceiving changes in patient's skin and nail color and colors of medications and solutions.
- Motor coordination and manual dexterity to coordinate hands, eyes and fingers.

By my signature below, I confirm that I have read the LPN/LVN Nurse Job description and understand the contents thereof to be an accurate representation of my role while on an assignment with Worldwide Travel Staffing, Limited.

Signature

Date

Printed Name