PATIENT COURIER

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS:

This is routine work involved in transporting patients from the nursing units to another department for various specialized and routine examinations and in performing other errands required to support nursing activities.

Employees in this class perform the assigned duties after initial training under the supervision of the nursing units area-coordinator/head nurse or charge nurse.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Any one position may not include all duties listed, nor do the examples cover all duties which may be performed.)

Transports patients to and from other sections or divisions of hospital for specialized and routine examinations such as radiology, electroencephalogram (EEG), electrocardiogram (EKG) and electromyogram (EMG) from nursing units.

Performs or assists in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (Code 72) on patients if needed during transit to and from other sections.

Assists in the transporting of laboratory specimens to the Laboratory, picks up pharmaceutical and other supplies, equipment, and reports to and from nursing units as required.

Performs related duties as required.

MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS:

Ability to solely transport patients in stretcher and wheelchair safely.

Ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions.

Ability to learn and perform emergency life-saving procedures such as cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Ability to learn the transporting and special handling procedures and techniques for laboratory specimens and reports, pharmaceutical supplies and medical equipment.

Ability to work effectively with the public and employees.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

(a) One year of public contact work and graduation from high school; or
(b) Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the minimum knowledge, abilities and skills.

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