

OBSTETRICAL TECHNICIAN

NATURE OF WORK IN THIS CLASS:

This is technical work assisting nursing and medical staff with surgical and medical procedures and with direct specialized patient care activities in the labor and delivery unit. Work is performed in accordance with standard operating procedures, techniques and guidelines.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK:

Sets up instruments needed for the delivery of baby while maintaining sterility.

Assists with the admission of patients, obtains baseline vital signs and places patients on external fetal monitor.

Performs task as a member of the Labor and Delivery team, such as assisting surgeon and surgical team in surgical procedures; anticipates the needs of the surgeons and responds quickly and accurately.

Inspects equipment prior to use to assure operational order; removes from service and reports faulty equipment; stacks cases and assures that adequate amount of appropriate supplies and instrumentation are available in accordance with surgeon's procedure.

Assists surgeon by performing variety of tasks such as draping patients, holding retractors, passing instruments, sutures and medications, applying surgical dressing, suctioning and sponging surgical wounds, holding extremities, moving patients as directed.

Monitors aseptic technique of surgical team members at field; reports and corrects breaks in sterile techniques.

Performs specialized patient care activities to women and infants.

Performs related duties as required.

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MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS:

Knowledge and application of aseptic techniques and methods, procedures, instrumentation, and aspects of nursing care related to obstetrics.

Knowledge of some medical terminology, procedures, practices and techniques in obstetric.

Knowledge of the principles, practices, procedures and techniques of sterilization and operating room supplies and equipment.

Knowledge of basic anatomy and physiology.

Knowledge of the universal precautions for handling blood and body fluids.

Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

Ability to work effectively with the public and employees.

Ability to maintain records.

MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

- a) **Two years of experience as a certified nurse aide, including one year of experience working in Labor and Delivery Unit; or**
- b) **Any equivalent combination of experience and training which provides the minimum knowledge, abilities and skills.**

Established: SEPTEMBER 2001

PAY GRADE: G

HAY EVALUATION:	KNOW HOW:	C12	115
	PROBLEM SOLVING:	C2 (19%)	22
	ACCOUNTABILITY:	B1C	<u>25</u>
	TOTAL POINTS:		162



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