

Job Title: Ultrasound Technologist

Job Code:

Reports to: Radiology Supervisor

Status: PRN

Overview/Job Purpose

The Ultrasound Technologist is responsible for the daily operations of the Ultrasound Modality to ensure efficient, safe operations and the delivery of the highest quality patient care possible. Performs comprehensive diagnostic ultrasound imaging examinations in accordance with established guidelines and protocols under the supervision of a medical provider for subsequent evaluation and treatment. Urgent care ultrasound examinations include but are not limited to: comprehensive OB ultrasound examinations, Doppler assessment of the lower extremities, general abdominal scans, testicular, thyroids, and pelvic scans. Competence in performing ultrasound-guided invasive procedures, including abscess drainage and other procedures required in Urgent care settings. Must be able to work independently and as a team with excellent communication skills. May need to float to various clinic locations. Ensure adherence to Clinic and departmental policies and procedures. Patient care assignment includes adolescent and adult age groups.

Summary of Primary Duties:

- Attend team meetings, and Radiology-specific meetings
- Perform ultrasound techniques and examinations including abdominal, obstetric, gynecological, small parts, and minor surgical procedures
- Position and transfer patients comfortably
- Select and operate equipment; select proper technical factors based on individual patient needs assessment
- Obtain patient history and clinical data for correlation with sonogram; maintain records of examination data and other pertinent information on patient
- Schedule cases to coordinate with other patient exams, work on call if necessary
- Maintain aseptic work area; maintain adequate supply levels
- Assist designated supervisor in monitoring inventory
- Educate staff in didactic and/or clinical techniques of diagnostic sonography
- Follow patient safety-related policies, procedures and protocols
- Demonstrate proactive approach to patient safety by seeking opportunities to improve patient safety through questioning of current policies and processes
- Identify and report/correct environmental conditions and/or situations that may put a patient at undue risk
- Report potential or actual patient safety concerns, medical errors and/or near misses in a timely manner
- Encourage patients to actively participate in their own care by asking questions and reporting treatment or situations that they don't understand or may "not seem right"

Performance Requirements:

- Courteous, honest, and professional at all times
- Able to communicate and relate well with patients, providers, and other clinical staff
- Able to provide innovative input into the development and ongoing improvement of the clinic and its processes
- Maintains appropriate licensure and certification including meeting and/or exceeding CME requirements
- Efficient, organized and accurate
- May be required or is required to perform on-call duties
- Modality exposure to chemicals, dangerous equipment and/or materials requiring basic safety precautions

Education and Experience:

- Ultrasonography Allied Health and Accredited (AMA) program graduate
- (ARDMS) American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography or Ultrasound Certification from the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists
- Current State of New Mexico licensure as a Certified Sonographer
- CPR certification required (must be obtained within 30 days of employment)
- Two or more years proven ultrasound experience required; urgent care preferred
- Must have an understanding of ethics of confidentiality.
- High level of computer proficiency

Physical Demands Requirements:

- Heavy Work: Exerting 50 to 100 pounds of force occasionally, and/or 25 to 50 pounds of force frequently, and/or 10 to 20 pounds of force constantly to move objects or people. Physical Demand requirements are in excess of those for Medium Work