

YOAKUM COUNTY HOSPITAL

Denver City, Texas

JOB DESCRIPTION

Supervisor: Outpatient Services Supervisor

Department: Nursing

Job Title: Certified Surgical Technologist (CST)

Schedule: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm (Monday – Thursday & Rotating On-Call)

JOB SUMMARY: Assists in operations, under the supervision of surgeons, registered nurses, or other surgical personnel. May help set up operating room, prepare and transport patients for surgery, adjust lights and equipment, pass instruments and other supplies to surgeons and surgeons' assistants, hold retractors, cut sutures, and help count sponges, needles, supplies, and instruments.

JOB QUALIFICATIONS:

- A. Education: High School Graduate or equivalent.
- B. Personal Job-Related Skills: Knowledge of surgical scrub duties preferred. The ability to comprehend and follow written and verbal instructions.
- C. Licensure, Registry or Certification: , Certified Surgical Technologist (CST) or Licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse by the State of Texas.
- D. Experience:
 - 1. Prior Work Experience: Operating Room experience preferred.
 - 2. Technical Training: Current CPR certification. PALS and ACLS preferred.
- E. Physical and Mental Requirements: Duties of the position require extended periods of standing and walking. Bending, stooping, twisting, reaching, pulling,

pushing when handling instruments. Lifting up to 50 pounds. Occasional heavy lifting when moving or supporting patients who may suddenly become weak or helpless.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- A. Maintain sterile operative fields.
- B. Maintain inventory of medical supplies or equipment.
- C. Assist healthcare practitioners during surgery.
- D. Position patients for treatment or examination.
- E. Protect patients or staff members using safety equipment.
- F. Clean medical equipment or facilities.
- G. Prepare biological specimens for laboratory analysis.
- H. Sterilize medical equipment or instruments.
- I. Adjust settings or positions of medical equipment.
- J. Apply bandages, dressings, or splints.
- K. Operate diagnostic or therapeutic medical instruments or equipment.
- L. Order medical supplies or equipment.
- M. Monitor patient conditions during treatments, procedures, or activities.
- N. Record patient medical histories.
- O. And other duties assigned.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Maintains HIPAA required and all the other confidentiality while working with confidential matters on a daily basis.
- B. Provides service direct to patients while maintaining a positive patient relations atmosphere.
- C. Interacts with patients, family members, and Medical Staff members on a continuous basis.

- D. Follows aseptic procedures and precautions when involved in direct patient contact or handling potentially infectious materials.

- E. Performs duties in related departmental functions as directed by the Administrator or Department Supervisors. Willingly assists in anything being necessary for patient care or accomplishing the Hospital's mission.

- F. Follows safety guidelines and policies for the Yoakum County Hospital.