



# DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE

<b>Division: GULF COAST</b>
<b>Classification: CARDIAC NURSE</b>
<b>Applicant Name:</b>

<p><b>Cardiac Nurse:</b> The Cardiac Nurse must have equivalent qualifications, competence and function in the same role as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility, as defined by facility job description.</p>
<p><b>Definition of Care or Service:</b> The Cardiac Nurse work alongside cardiologists and other healthcare providers to provide comprehensive cardiovascular care for patients with acute and chronic heart maladies. Scope of Service may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assists and educates patients undergoing an electrophysiology study procedure of the heart</li> <li>• Able to diagnose, treat, and manage conditions that affect the complex cardiovascular system</li> <li>• Promote optimal cardiovascular health among patients through preventative measures that involve health counseling, screening, and stress tests, as well as disease prevention and management strategies</li> <li>• Evaluating and monitoring heart devices, such as pacemakers and defibrillators</li> <li>• Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA Healthcare conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians</li> </ul>
<p><b>Setting(s):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surgical services areas including but not limited to hospitals and outpatient surgery centers</li> </ul>
<p><b>Supervision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct supervision by physician performing the specific procedure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Indirect supervision by department director, site manager or designee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Evaluator:</b> Department director or designee in conjunction with supervising physician</p> <p><b>Tier Level:</b> 3</p> <p><b>eSAF Access Required:</b> YES</p>
<p><b>Qualifications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associates or Bachelor’s degree in Nursing</li> <li>• Current RN license</li> <li>• American Heart Association health care provider BLS Certification</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE: Where education may not be defined in qualifications area of the Scope, HCA Healthcare requires the highest level of education completed (not training or courses) confirmed on your background check.</b></p>
<p><b>State Requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current RN license for Texas or Compact license</li> </ul>
<p><b>Experience:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least 1 yr as a Cardiac Nurse</li> </ul>
<p><b>Competencies:</b> The Cardiac Nurse will demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safe and effective operation of cardiac equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maintains equipment in good working order</li> <li>○ Demonstrates effective infection control practices related to equipment operation</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Accurate patient information review and evaluation</li> </ul>



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- Uses at least two ways to identify patients before treating or performing a procedure
- Verifies that the requested procedure correlates with the patient’s clinical history, presentation and physician order
- Participates in the pre-procedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site and involves the patient in the verification process when possible
- Participates in a time-out immediately before the start of an invasive procedure or making of the incision.
- Accesses the patient medical record appropriately
- Documents in the medical record according to the facility standard / policy
- Maintains a safe environment
  - Labels containers used for blood and specimens in the presence of the patient
  - Labels all medications and solutions on and off the sterile field in perioperative and procedural settings
- Strong knowledge and training in cardiology
- Infection Prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) when required
  - Required immunizations per Division requirements
  - Complies with Isolation precautions
  - Maintains sterile field

**References:**

Texas Board of Nursing License Verification: [https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure\\_verification.asp](https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_verification.asp)  
 Nursing Compact States & Nurse Licensure: <https://www.travelnursing.com/what-is-travel-nursing/nursing-compact-states/>  
 Nursys: <https://www.nursys.com/LQC/LQCTerms.aspx>

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**Your signature confirms you will be able to comply with the Qualifications and Competencies listed within this Scope of Service and that you will confirm education via your background check.**

**Applicant Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_