

# **DIVISION SCOPE OF SERVICE**

#### **Division: NORTH TEXAS**

### Classification: NON-CERTIFIED HYPERBARIC TECHNOLOGISTS

#### Applicant Name:

#### Non-Certified Hyperbaric Technologists:

The Non-Certified Hyperbaric Technologists 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.

#### **Definition of Care or Service:**

The Non-Certified Hyperbaric Technologists monitors and controls the pressure inside a hyperbaric chamber. They assist medical staff as required while maintaining the necessary pressure in the chamber. The scope of service may include:

- Performs duties under supervision of the Program Director, Clinical Coordinator, and/or Safety Director as is appropriate for the facility.
- Operates the hyperbaric chamber(s) and related support systems in a safe and effective manner.
- Delivers hyperbaric oxygen therapy to the hyperbaric patient in a safe manner.
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include code of HCA conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians.

#### Setting(s):

• Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine clinic

#### Supervision:

- Direct supervision by Physician, CHT, or HBOT Director
  - o Indirect supervision by Unit Coordinator, Safety Director, OR designee
- Evaluator: Program Director in conjunction with supervising physician or designee

Tier Level: 2

#### eSAF Access Required: YES

#### **Qualifications:**

- High school diploma/GED or higher
- American Heart Association health care provider BLS Certification

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.

#### State Requirements:

• N/A

Experience:

• N/A

#### Preferred Experience:

• Previous Hyperbaric Tech experience preferred but not required.

### Competencies:

The Non-Certified Hyperbaric Technologist will demonstrate:

- Be able to carry out relevant diagnostic and clinical procedures such as:
  - o Ability to report to nurse or physician an accurate medical history



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- o Assess patient for pain and document findings
- o Obtain vital signs (pulse, respiratory rate, body temperature, and blood pressure)
- o Observe for changes in neurological status
- o Know when to use appropriate clean or sterile techniques
- o Collection and removal of patient waste products
- o Assist in patient care procedures; dressing changes
- o Basic EKG recognition; set alarm parameters; print and post strip
- o Ability to safely operate all stretchers, gurneys, wheelchairs, beds and other assistive devices
- o Comply with quality control (QC) measures; glucometer
- Prepare patient for treatment
  - Body positioning of patients
  - o All cotton garments or other approved materials only for in chamber
  - EKG placement on patient, as ordered
  - Age specific patient education on fundamentals of HBO treatment; equalizing ear pressure
  - o Provide comfort measures with approved safety constraints.
- Describe the signs, symptoms and treatment of hyper- and hypothermia
- Describe the effects of gases on the body and their limits under pressure
- Describe the effects of pressure on the body and the principles of decompression and therapeutic procedures
- Proper body mechanics to protect self from injury
- Reinforce age-specific teaching
- Perform transcutaneous oximetry (TCOM), as ordered
- Basic medical terminology
- Proper use and application of restraints when ordered by physician; assess circulation
- Patient privacy and confidentiality; observe HIPAA requirements
- Maintain private and secure medical records.
- Safe environment for patients
  - o Uses at least two ways to identify patients before procedure
  - o Labels all medications and solutions on surgical field in procedural settings
  - Labels containers used for blood and specimens in the presence of the patient
  - Participates in the pre-procedure process to verify the correct procedure, for the correct patient, at the correct site/side and involves the patient in the verification process when possible.
- Infection prevention
  - Practices consistent hand hygiene
  - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - o Required immunizations per Division requirements
  - o Complies with Isolation precautions
  - o Maintains sterile field

#### References:



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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:	_