Division: CENTRAL WEST TEXAS

Classification: WOUND CARE NURSE

Applicant Name:

Wound Care Nurse:

The Wound Care Nurse must have equivalent qualifications and competence as employed individuals performing the same or similar services at the facility.

Definition of Care or Service:

The Wound Care Nurse cares for patients with wounds caused by medical treatments, diseases, or injuries. Scope of Service may include:

- Performs nursing evaluation upon initial visit for all appropriate patients
- Performs and documents comprehensive wound care assessment on each visit
- Documents all nursing interventions, nursing, care, medications given, pertinent finding, complications and any other medical information of nursing related care on all patients
- Performs and documents vital signs on each visit
- Perform glucose monitoring and documentation on all diabetic patients
- The RN is responsible for all drugs used in the department whether they are kept in the department or in the pharmacy
- Carries out all orders given by physicians that fall within the scope of nursing practice
- Transports patients as needed
- Educates the patients and their families on wound care procedures and dressing changes
- Provides care for pediatric, adolescent, adult and geriatric patients
- Performs all other duties as assigned by the supervisor
- Interventions provided by the RN include by are not limited to the following: wound vacs, two-layer wraps, casts, and skin substitutions.
- Demonstrates Clinical and Service excellence behaviors to include HCA Healthcare code of conduct core fundamentals in daily interactions with patients, families, co-workers and physicians

Setting:

Outpatient wound care and hyperbaric clinic

Supervision:

- Direct supervision by the department manager
 - o Indirect supervision by the physician

Evaluator: The department manager in conjunction with the physician

Tier Level: 2

eSAF Access Required: YES

Qualifications:

- Associates degree or higher in Nursing
- RN Licensure
- American Heart Association or Red Cross 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:

• Current RN license for Texas or Compact license

Experience:

• Two to three years' experience as a RN in Wound Care

Competencies:

The Wound Care Nurse will demonstrate:

- A safe environment for patients
 - Uses at least two ways to identify patients before assessing and treating
 - o 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
- Accurate patient information review and evaluation
 - o Collects and documents assessment data in the medical record
 - Entries in the medical record are countersigned by the attending physician within 24 hours
 - o Facilitates communication between the physician, patient, family and nursing staff
 - o Educates patients and their family about the medical treatment plan and discharge plans
 - Notifies the appropriate member of the interdisciplinary patient care team of issues that require immediate intervention or attention
- Infection Prevention
 - Practices consistent hand hygiene
 - Uses personal protective equipment (PPE) when required
 - Required immunizations per Division requirements
 - Complies with Isolation precautions

References:

Texas Board of Nursing License Verification: 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:	 	