

# **Position Description**

Position Title:	Registered Nurse		
Department:	Nursing Services	Cost Centre:	A0361
Enterprise Agreement:	Nurses And Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2020-2024		
Classification	Grade 2		
Reports To:	Assistant Deputy Director of Nursing and Midwifery		
Infection Control Risk Category:	Category A - Direct patient contact		

#### **Primary Purpose**

To provide best practice, patient centred care in a safe and caring environment.

# Accountabilities and Key Results Areas

#### **Nursing Care & Clinical Competence**

- Incorporate holistic approach to patient care in response to physical, social and emotional needs.
- Accurately assess, plan, implement and evaluate care based on individual patient's needs.
- Present clear, concise and accurate documentation.
- Competently demonstrate the use of unit specific technical equipment.
- Recognise and respond to patients' needs as individuals, in a caring, non judgemental and compassionate manner.
- Effectively evaluate and report outcomes of care and changes to plan of care.
- · Actively contribute to theoretical and practical knowledge in clinical situations and health care in general.
- Liaise with client, carers, professional and community groups and relevant others in planning throughout the Continuum of Care.
- Facilitate education to meet the needs of the patients as required.
- Utilise relevant policies, procedures and guidelines to ensure safe practice.

### **Teamwork & Teaching**

- Collaborate with other staff to form a cohesive healthcare team.
- Interact effectively with other team members in dealing with complex situations.
- Maximise work performance by motivating other team members.
- Participate in educating staff as appropriate.
- Encourage health promotion and illness prevention specific to the needs of individuals.

## **Management Skills**

- Utilise effective time management skills to enable work to be prioritised and achieved on a daily basis to meet identified goals.
- Implement problems solving skills as required.
- Participate in meetings and quality activities as required.
- Respond promptly to internal and external customers.

#### **Personal & Professional Skills**

- Maintain a high level of initiative.
- Demonstrate accountability for nursing practice.
- Seek advice from education staff, senior staff or Unit Manager to enhance knowledge and skill development.
- Apply effective communication skills.
- Accept responsibility for own actions including continual development of clinical skills and knowledge of nursing issues and practices, to achieve best practice.
- Ensure that relevant information is accessed and read to keep up to date, including memos, minutes and computer based information.
- Share knowledge and skills gained through participation in meetings, clinical skills and ongoing education.

- Comply with all relevant legislative requirements, organisational policies, by-laws, standing orders, vision or mission statements and values including, but not restricted to:
  - Infection Control policies
  - Confidentiality policy and privacy legislation
  - Occupational Health and Safety policies and regulations
  - Guidelines of the State Services Authority including the public sector employment principles and Code of Conduct
  - Fire, disaster and other emergency procedures
  - Smoke Free Campus policy
  - Risk Management policies and guidelines
  - Consumer Participation Strategy
- Attend orientation/induction or other mandatory training and relevant Health Safety updates in areas such as Fire, Emergency Responses and Manual Handling
- Current Immunisation status in alignment with South West Healthcare's Immunisation policy
- Promote the organisation in a positive manner
- Participate as a cohesive member of the health care team
- Respect the rights of individuals
- Provide a child safe environment
- Participate in Continuous Quality Improvement within the organisation
- Accept responsibility for your own personal belongings
- Respect and appropriately care for the organisation's property and equipment
- Participate in an annual Staff Development Review.

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Key Relationships				
Internal:				
External:				
Position Impact				
Direct Reports:				
Budget:				
Selection Criteria:				
<ul> <li>A Registered Nurse holding a current Registration Certificate as required by AHPRA</li> <li>Demonstrate the South West Healthcare values</li> <li>Demonstrate a commitment to safe patient centred care</li> <li>Demonstrate clinical skills and knowledge that positively impacts on the patient experience</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to adapt to the changing clinical environment</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to positively collaborate and contribute as part of a multidisciplinary team</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to communicate effectively with patients/family/carers, visitors and staff at all levels within the organisation (both verbal, written and electronic)</li> <li>Demonstrate ability to promote a safe working environment and safe work practices to minimise risks</li> <li>Evidence of commitment to ongoing education and professional development of self and others</li> <li>Desirable:</li> <li>Relevant post graduate qualifications.</li> </ul>				
Approvals				
Employee Signature:	Date:			
Manager's Signature:	Date:			