

Memorial Medical Center Nurse Practitioner

Basic Education and

Minimal Formal Training: In addition to being an RN, the applicant must demonstrate successful completion of an NP master's degree in a nursing program within the applicant's specialty area or must demonstrate successful completion of a formal postgraduate NP track or program (within the applicant's specialty area) in a school of nursing granting graduate-level academic credit (e.g., graduate, nonmatriculating program).

Additional Considerations: In addition an NP should have the following:

- A current license or registration in the state of NM
- Evidence of adequate professional liability insurance secured either by the NP's supervising physician or held by the NP
- No physical and mental health problem preventing him or her from exercising the privileges granted.
- If an NP is to work under full or partial supervision or sponsorship, there should be an employment by or an agreement with a physician(s) currently appointed to the medical staff of the hospital to supervise the NP's practice in the hospital. According to the agreement, the physician must:
 - Assume responsibility for supervision or monitoring the NP's practice
 - Be available or provide an alternate to provide consultation when requested and to intervene when necessary
 - Assume responsibility for the care of any patient

Core NP Duties and Privileges

Upon demonstration of satisfactory training and certification and after approval by the hospital board, an NP may be granted privileges to provide care under the sponsorship of a physician(s) with appropriate privileges.

It would not be unusual for NPs to perform any of the following duties:

- Initial and ongoing assessment of patients' medical, physical, and psychological status including the following:
 1. Obtain a relevant health and medical history
 2. Perform a physical examination based on age and history
 3. Conduct preventative screening procedures based on age and history
 4. Identify medical and health risks and needs
 5. Update and record changes in health status

6. Formulate the appropriate differential diagnosis based on history, physical examination, and clinical findings
7. Identify the needs of the individual, family or community as a result of the evaluation of the collected data
8. Order appropriate diagnostic tests
9. Identify nonpharmacological interventions
10. Develop a client education plan
11. Conduct and interpret diagnostic tests
12. Prescribe pharmacologic agents
13. Prescribe nonpharmacologic therapies
14. Provide relevant patient education
15. Make appropriate referrals to other health professionals and community agencies
16. Determine the effectiveness of the plan of care through documentation of client care outcomes
17. Reassess and modify the plan as necessary to achieve medical and health goals.
18. Participate in clinical outcomes review on a periodic basis, including systematic review of records and treatment plans.

Reappointment:

Reappointment should be based on unbiased, objective results of care according to the hospital's clinical outcomes mechanisms. The applicant must demonstrate that he or she has maintained competence by demonstrating that he or she has met the hospital's minimum requirements for NP privileges.

Other

Other privileges requested for which you have current clinical competence may be listed below. Documentation of training and/or experience must be provided for any special privileges requested.

Practitioner's Signature _____ Date: _____

Practitioner's Printed Name _____

APPROVED AS INDICATED:

Department Chairman's Signature: _____ Date _____