

The University Of Texas
M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
Palliative Care & Rehabilitation Medicine
Position Description

POSTED: 7-9-08

Advanced Practice Nurse 1026

SUMMARY

Function: Provides clinical patient care across the continuum of the multidisciplinary team to achieve quality patient care as a member of the Integrative Medicine team.

Scope: Performs clinical functions in a dynamic patient care environment through active participation with other providers.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

1. Conducts comprehensive symptom assessments using physical examination skills and assessment tools
2. Uses organizational skills to assure continuity of care across the continuum in collaboration with other disciplines through appropriate planning, education, and coordination of services
3. Participates in developing treatment plans with the team physicians
4. Provides education and support to individual patients and families, emphasizing the promotion of comfort and quality of life
5. Serves as a liaison between patients and other members of the healthcare team
6. Participates in the collection of patient data with appropriate documentation in patient record
7. Coordinates activities related to the integrative medicine program
8. Provide consultation that addresses patient's concerns related to integrative medicine use including advice about life style issues such as nutrition, stress reduction, physical activity and proper integration of integrative therapies with the care patient receives from other disciplines.
9. Participates in meeting the educational needs of self, staff and others. This function will include participation in the development and provision of educational programs in integrative medicine for other health care professionals at the local, state and national levels.
10. Other clinical and/or administrative duties as assigned

CHARACTERISTICS

1. Able to coordinate and perform multiple activities
2. Able to set and implement priorities
3. Able to work independently
4. Has critical thinking skills
5. Is self-directed
6. Is resourceful
7. Is dependable

8. Is flexible
9. Strong interpersonal verbal and written communication skills
10. Expertise in establishing and maintaining positive, cooperative working relationships
11. Has the capacity to be compassionate with empathic approach to patients and their families

MARGINAL OR PERIODIC FUNCTIONS

Participates in professional activities (research, presentations, and publications, etc...); other duties as required

SUPERVISION

Received: Directly from the Medical Director of Integrative Medicine and Department Administrator

Given: None

EDUCATION

Required: Master's Degree in Nursing

EXPERIENCE

Required: Three years (3) clinical nursing
Required Interest in Integrative Medicine
Preferred: Two (2) years in an Advanced Practice Role
Preferred: Experience in Palliative Care
Preferred Experience in Integrative Medicine

LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

Required: Eligible for recognition from the State of Texas as an Advanced Practice Nurse

CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION

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