## **MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

JOB DESCRIPTION

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| Main function               | Responsible for establishing, maintaining, and enforcing acceptable professional and ethical standards of the facility's medical staff according to its policies, procedures, philosophy, and objectives. Assists the administrator in assuring that the facility meets all related local, state, federal, and accrediting-body rules and regulations. Assists the administrator and clinical director in coordinating and directing patient care in the facility according to adopted policies/procedures, state and federal regulations, and accepted accreditation standards. Serves as liaison between the medical staff and governing body.   |
| Duties and responsibilities | Philosophy     a) Supports the facility's ideology, mission, goals, and objectives   |
|                             | b) Performs in accordance with the facility's policies and procedures c) Follows the facility's standards for ethical business conduct d) Conducts self as a positive role model and team member e) Recognizes patients' rights and responsibilities and supports them in performance of job duties f) Respects patients' rights to privacy, dignity, and confidentiality g) Participates in facility committees, meetings, in-services, and activities  |
|                             | 2. <u>General</u>  |
|                             | <ul> <li>a) Ensures the establishment, maintenance, continuing improvement, and enforcement of acceptable professional and ethical standards and performance of the medical staff and patient-care personnel</li> <li>b) Reports to the governing body regarding the quality and efficiency of medical care provided</li> <li>c) Oversees medical issues of day-to-day operations</li> <li>d) Serves as member of the governing body</li> <li>e) Maintains open line of communication with administrator</li> <li>f) Supports administrative decisions and activities affecting patient care</li> <li>g) Interprets and provides guidance on facility medical policies to enhance patient care</li> <li>h) In cooperation with administrator, reviews activities for adherence to facility policies and procedures, state and federal rules and regulations, and accrediting-body standards</li> </ul> |
|                             | <ul> <li>3. Medical staff         <ul> <li>a) Serves as a liaison between the medical staff and the governing body</li> <li>b) Serves as a liaison between the facility staff and the medical staff</li> <li>c) Investigates breaches of quality patient care or ethical conduct by medical staff members and makes appropriate recommendations to the governing body</li> <li>d) Enforces medical staff by-laws, rules and regulations, and facility policies and procedures</li> <li>e) Implements sanctions where indicated, including all instances in which corrective action has been requested against a practitioner regarding his or her compliance with procedural safeguards</li> <li>f) Reviews performance of medical staff members for reappointment recommendation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>4. Patient care         <ul> <li>a) Ensures that the quality of patient care is in accordance with the established policies and procedures</li> <li>b) Assists the facility staff in identifying and solving patient-care problems</li> <li>c) Assists the clinical director in maintaining continuity of patient care through coordination of physicians and nursing staff</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
|                             | 5. <u>Communication</u> a) Communicates effectively and professionally with patients, visitors, physicians, and coworkers  |
|                             | b) Interacts with others in a positive, respectful, and considerate manner   |
|                             | 6. Financial practices  a) Uses facility resources appropriately and avoids wasteful practices  b) Promotes cost containment and efficient use of facility resources  c) Makes recommendations for potential cost-effective improvements  d) Assists in educating medical staff about cost-containment issues  |
|                             | 7. <u>Compliance program</u> <ul> <li>a) Contributes to the progress and development of the organization's adopted compliance program</li> <li>b) Performs according to established compliance policies and procedures</li> </ul>  |
|                             | <ul> <li>8. Performance-improvement program         <ul> <li>Contributes to the progress and development of the organization's adopted performance-improvement program</li> <li>Performs according to established performance-improvement policies and procedures</li> <li>May function as the chairperson of the performance-improvement committee</li> <li>Monitors medical staff participation in performance-improvement activities</li> <li>Assists with the credentialing and re-credentialing process of the performance-improvement committee</li> <li>Develops and participates in performance-improvement studies as needed to assess medical care/staff</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |
|                             | 9. <u>Safety/risk-management program</u>   |

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noncompliance

Works with the safety officer to resolve observed or suspected safety violations, hazards, and policy/procedure

|                                       | c) Responds to emergency situations with competence and composure d) Supports risk management and participates in programs concerning patient and employee safety  10. Professional competence a) Participates in continuing education and other learning experiences b) Participates in facility teaching programs for employees and medical staff on topics of special interest/pertinent to the clinical aspects of outpatient surgery c) Maintains membership in relevant professional organizations d) Welcomes suggestions and recommendations e) Provides facility with updated credentialing information |
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| Qualifications                        | <ol> <li>Cooperative work attitude toward management, facility staff, patients, visitors, and physicians</li> <li>Ability to promote favorable facility image with physicians, patients, insurance companies, and general public</li> <li>Ability to make decisions and solve problems</li> </ol>  |
| Requirements                          | 1. REQUIRED  a) Qualified medical staff member  b) Medical practitioner with active license in appropriate state c) State DEA registration d) ACLS certification e) Evidence of leadership qualities f) Strong ethical and moral character references g) Language skills adequate for high-level written, interpersonal, and telephone communication in American English  2. PREFERRED a) ASC experience b) Computer literacy c) Strong ethical and moral character references   |
| Job quality requirements              | <ol> <li>Accuracy</li> <li>Attention to detail</li> <li>Timeliness</li> <li>Organization</li> <li>Low supervision needed to accomplish tasks</li> </ol>  |
| Dependability                         | <ol> <li>Attendance</li> <li>Punctuality</li> <li>Ability to meet deadlines</li> </ol>   |
| Physical/mental requirements          | <ol> <li>Ability to walk/stand for long periods</li> <li>Capability for occasional overhead and low reaching</li> <li>Physical strength for equipment needs and patient-care activities</li> <li>Visual and auditory acuity for timely response and patient-care assessment activities</li> <li>Ability to move quickly in response to patient needs</li> <li>Ability to frequently make judgments on/respond to problems</li> <li>Ability to occasionally make judgments on/respond to disasters/emergencies, actual events, or drills</li> </ol>   |
| Working conditions<br>(environmental) | <ol> <li>Well-lit and ventilated, with hazardous and non-hazardous equipment</li> <li>Category I: involves occupational exposure to blood and other potentially infectious body fluids and materials</li> </ol>  |
| Reports to                            | Governing body   |
| Supervises                            | Medical staff  |
| Contacts                              | <ol> <li>Patients</li> <li>Patients' family/significant others</li> <li>Medical staff members</li> <li>Facility personnel</li> <li>Administration</li> <li>Governing body</li> </ol>   |
| Formal lines of promotion             | No formal lines of promotion   |

## EMPLOYEE STATEMENT

I have read the **Medical Director** job description and understand the functions of the position at this facility.

Employee's Signature

Date