

JOB DESCRIPTION

Cardiology Nurse Practitioner

General Description

The Cardiology Nurse Practitioner works closely with and is supervised by SCMG cardiologists, and specializes in the care of patients with arrhythmia, myocardial infarction, congestive heart failure including the use of temporary and permanent ventricular assist devices. The position requires a current California NP license and board certification.

Key Responsibilities

- Assess, diagnose, and create treatment plans for patients with cardiovascular symptoms independently and in collaboration with the cardiologist.
- Manages acute and chronic cardiovascular conditions, treatments and medications.
- Evaluates for and recommends pacemakers, cardioversion procedures and angiograms when appropriate.
- Performs history and physical to determine pre-operative cardiology clearance.
- Provides peer to peer consultation for primary care providers, hospitalists and emergency room physicians regarding cardiovascular conditions.
- Provides procedural follow-up care for patients following coronary angioplasty and stenting; cardioversion; ablation for arrhythmia; CABG and valve replacement and Left Ventricular Assist Devices.
- Care of complex heart failure patients being evaluated for LVADs or other advanced therapies.
- Management and titration of cardiology medications including those for arrhythmia, congestive heart failure and anti-coagulation.
- Discharge patients from the cardiology service and provide appropriate follow up.

Practice Setting

- Inpatient care of cardiology patients with general cardiac diagnoses as well as management of advanced heart failure patients who are being evaluated for or have recently been implanted with permanent (LVADs) or temporary cardiac assist devices (balloon pumps, ECMO, Tandem Heart).
- The position will entail inpatient rounds Monday through Friday with one weekend a month inpatient care. There will be call for one week a month, but this will be primarily home-based.