

This team member will spend approximately 50% of time at the hospital/rounds. Typical responsibilities include: pre-op exams such as detailed knee/hip history and physical; setting up OR for knee/hip cases; post-op rounds and checks for TKR/TKH patients including appropriate documentation; writing post-op orders and procedural notes; knee/hip injections; casting/splinting, PT/INR flow sheet management with appropriate prescription of Coumadin and Lovenox; running average 30 patient clinic independently.

Qualifications:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Must be team player and willing to “go the extra step”.
- Must excel at interacting with patients, especially seniors.
- Must thrive in fast paced environment and be willing to learn new tasks/skills.
- Able to work competently, efficiently, independently.
- Must be dependable, thorough, detail oriented.
- Working quickly and effectively with computers is required.
- PA certification and degree required. Must be licensed to work in the State of Arizona.
- Must have flexibility to work schedule according to patients’ needs.

This is a career growth position with the option to participate in unique opportunities.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

1. General medical history and physical exam for pre operative visit with associated informed consent process with documentation and appropriate coding.
2. Detailed knee/hip specific history and physical exam.
3. Set up for total knee/hip cases in the operating room.
4. Set up for hip fracture cases in the operating room.
5. Skin closure with staples.
6. Skin closure with subcuticular stitch.
7. Closure of subcutaneous tissues
8. Post op dressing for TKR/THR and appropriate patient transfer.
9. Hospital rounds for post operative check and appropriate documentation on day of surgery.
10. Routine hospital daily rounds, wound checks and appropriate documentation.
11. Unassisted knee injections in seated position.
12. Knee injections in supine position.
13. Independent evaluation of post operative patients on their first return after surgery with removal of staples/stitches, wound evaluation and addressing the majority of postoperative patient questions and concerns.
14. Average of 25 patients per clinic with appropriate documentation and coding.
15. Removal of casts and splints safely.
16. Assist in application of casts and splints.
17. Appropriate prescription and documentation especially of narcotics.
18. PT/INR flow sheet management with appropriate prescription of Coumadin and Lovenox for postoperative anticoagulation.
19. Competency in handling routine pages and phone calls.

20. Pre-operative chart check screening in preparation for surgery.
21. Competency in EMR/office/hospital charting.
22. Uncomplicated splint and cast applications.
23. Post operative phone calls after hospital discharge.
24. Tracking information for database/licensure/recertification as needed.
25. Competency writing post operative orders and post operative procedural note.