

The Department of Medicine is seeking a ***Advanced Practice Provider (Nurse Practitioner or Physician Associate)*** who provides care to an underserved population of patients. The role's purpose is to bridge the gap of social injustices in health care through our flagship comprehensive care center. This unique role provides care to patient's inpatient, in an urgent care setting, and for well health maintenance visits. This individual can care for complex medical conditions while building a strong rapport with patients throughout many years.

Specific Duties & Responsibilities:

Clinical Responsibilities

- Will assess each patient that presents to the center in crisis and will write orders for these patients.
- The Nurse Practitioner (NP) assessment will include taking a history and physical.
- The NP will also write prescriptions for patients who have called in advance and who present to the infusion center for refills. The NP will document narcotics in opioid database in collaboration with other prescribers.
- Collaborate with the multi-disciplinary team including psychiatry, nursing, social work, community health worker, hematologist, and place necessary referrals.
- Assist with providing comprehensive and episodic care to patients with sickle cell disease. This includes taking a history, completing a physical assessment, and interpreting diagnostic tests.
- Provide routine health maintenance for patients with sickle cell disease. This includes review of the patient chart and diagnostic information to assess that labs and radiologic testing are being completed as per protocol.
- Sees and assists the primary medical team on sickle cell patients admitted to the hospital.
- Provides inpatient coverage for the general hematology service.
- Propose and implement medical therapy and treatment plans for patients seen in the clinic and followed by collaborating physicians.
- Provide chronic pain management, including having patients sign pain contracts, refilling medications, and tracking of prescribed narcotics.
- Monitoring of patients while on therapy to evaluate for side effects and to evaluate for expected outcomes.
- Adjusting and starting new medications as indicated by patient condition.
- Counsels and teaches patients and family members regarding disease process and expected outcomes.
- Assist with the management of chronic transfusion patients.

- Make referrals to other specialists as indicated by the patients' condition.
- Dictate clinic notes and other pertinent data that are necessary in the care of the patient. Provide information to referring physicians.
- Monitoring patients that are on hydroxyurea and other disease modifying therapy.
- Provide presentations on sickle cell disease for other health care professionals.
- Coordinate and act as a sub-investigator in phase II, III and IV clinical trials. This includes preparing and submitting forms to the IRB. Enrolling patients into studies by completing health assessment and physical examinations.
- Reviewing lab work and diagnostic tests and making changes as indicated by lab results while following the protocol. This also includes potentially discontinuing a patient on a study for reasons of non-compliance or other issues.
- Attend clinic meetings and other meetings with program leadership.

Customer Service & Teamwork Responsibilities

- Shows professionalism in person and on the telephone with coworkers, patients, visitors, and supervisors.
- Utilizes proper telephone etiquette. Warmly greets patients and visitors.
- Handles and resolves patient complaints non-defensively and without blame to other employees. Seeks to satisfy a dissatisfied customer.
- Is generous in assisting and supporting others. Participates in coverage of the Sickle Cell Clinic.
- Is sensitive to the interrelationship of both people and functions within the department.

Computer Knowledge Expectations

- Operates personal computer to access email, computerized scheduling and documentation databases, and other basic office support software.
- Successfully completes all necessary training courses and other applicable clinical software systems
- Completes all required HIPAA and other specified online training courses.

Other duties may be assigned by the employee's immediate supervisor, division management or a healthcare provider in order to ensure an efficient office that will assist the Division in fulfilling its mission.

Minimum Qualifications (Mandatory):

Master's degree in nursing; Registered Nurse license and Certified as a Nurse Practitioner. Must be licensed as NP in State of Maryland or other state where practicing. Additional experience may substitute for master's degree, as permitted by the JHU equivalency formula. Current American Heart Association or American Red Cross CPR certification required. Must maintain current licensure and certification during duration of employment. Completion of the JHH (insert designated work location) credentialing process is required prior to start date.

JHU Equivalency Formula: 30 undergraduate degree credits (semester hours) or 18 graduate degree credits may substitute for one year of experience. Additional related experience may substitute for required education on the same basis.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Minimum of three years of related clinical NP experience strongly preferred.
- Familiarity with regulations and standards governing NPs in the State of Maryland.

Certification/Licensure:

- Successful completion of the national certification examinations. Active CDS, DEA, and buprenorphine waiver required.

Additional Knowledge, Skills & Abilities:

- Strong oral and written communication skills required.
- Demonstrated ability for self-direction and initiation required.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and as part of a team required.
- Demonstrated customer service skills required.
- Must be able to prioritize responsibilities and work in a fast-paced environment.

Physical Requirements:

Sitting, standing and walking for extended period. Reaching by extending hand(s) or arm(s) in any direction. Finger dexterity required to manipulate objects with fingers rather than with whole hand(s) or arm(s). Ability to move standard equipment through a hospital or clinical environment.