



Position Description

Position Title:	Nurse Unit Manager, Perioperative Service This position description is a supporting document to an employee's "Letter of Appointment" and "Variation to Letter of Appointment"
Department:	Perioperative Service
PD Issue Date:	July 2024
Classification/Award:	Award: Nurses and Midwives (Victorian Public Health Sector) (Single Interest Employers) Enterprise Agreement 2020-2024 Classification: Nurse Manager Level 1, NM2
Performance Review:	A six-month probation will apply to this position (6 months from date of commencement). Performance reviews will then be held annually.
ROLE	
The role of the Nurse Unit Manager (NUM) Services is to be responsible for ensuring the provision of high quality, safe and evidence based practice across Perioperative and sterilization services.	
ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS	
Reports to: Director of Nursing Manages/Coordinates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registered Nurses Enrolled Nurses• Surgical Booking staff• Sterilization staff Liaises with: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• South Gippsland Hospital Staff• Foster Medical Centre Staff• Other VMO's• Other health care providers (e.g. Sub regional)• Maintenance staff• Executive	
KEY RESULT AREAS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Implementation of a Perioperative Model of Care incorporating a safe capability framework.• Provide positive leadership and management to the healthcare team working within the perioperative care setting• Coordination of service within the allocated annual operational budget	

- Demonstrate strong clinical and business decision making skills
- Ensure patient care is delivered within professional, organisational, legal and ethical boundaries and reflects evidence based, best practice knowledge and practice
- Ensure effective communication to key stakeholders Lead and support quality improvement initiatives and actively participate in relevant accreditation and education processes
- Ensure all staff performance appraisals and mandatory competencies are up to date
- Escalation of clinical and non-clinical concerns as they arise
- Monitors budget and related funding targets to identify and implement corrective actions where necessary
- Complies with reporting and meeting requirements
- Demonstrate knowledge and commitment towards quality improvement activities and actively participate in departmental accreditation processes
- Demonstrate a commitment to safety and quality of care
- Perform other duties reasonably required as directed

SPECIALIST SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE

Insert/Remove

- Demonstrate willingness to undertake relevant training / course to develop skills and acquire knowledge
- Participate in the Performance and Development Review process
- Work within scope of practice according to qualifications and registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Work according to the conduct, policies and standards of relevant external bodies and SGH

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Satisfy the Australia Nurses and Midwifery Board (ANMB) Registration requirements as a Registered Division 1 Nurse for this role.
- Post Graduate qualifications and experience in Perioperative Nursing
- Current clinical experience with a minimum of five years' experience in speciality area
- Management experience desirable
- Management qualifications desirable
- Demonstrated leadership to role model and mentor the attributes, behaviours, knowledge and skills of best clinical practice and organisational values.
- Demonstrated commitment to support Perioperative staff and enable their development, as well as the ability to support and motivate other staff
- Excellent written, computer and oral communication skills

KEY SELECTION CRITERIA

- Demonstrated clinical and senior leadership experience in the perioperative setting
- Demonstrated ability to provide inspirational and strategic leadership and management
- Demonstrated skills to align team to organisational values and behaviours
- Demonstrated proficiency in the use of information management systems and programs
- Demonstrated ability to manage service and projects within allocated budget
- Demonstrated ability to implement and manage change

MANDATORY COMPETENCIES

Unless an employee is able to produce authorised evidence of successfully completing an approved mandatory competency, the employee will be required to successfully complete the competencies within the first six months of employment.

Each employee is then required to successfully complete mandatory clinical competencies annually.

Organisational Values

South Gippsland Hospital staff work with each other according to the Values listed below and the behaviours these values require when carrying out business.

These values are:

Adaptability – Being flexible and accepting of new ideas and change for the better

Mutual Respect – We treat others the same way that we would like to be treated

Accountability – We accept responsibility for our actions, attitudes and mistakes

Trust- We act with integrity and can count on each other

Excellence – We do our best at all times and look for ways to improve

It is expected that staff will work according to these Values when working directly with other staff, clients and members of the community.

Occupational Health and Safety

South Gippsland Hospital recognises its obligation for full compliance with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004* and associated Occupation Health and Safety regulations 2017. All staff are required:

- to comply with safety instructions in their work environment and to familiarise themselves with OH&S procedures.
- to take reasonable care of their own health and safety as well as that of other people who may be affected by their conduct in the workplace.
- to seek guidance about new or modified work procedures.
- to ensure that any hazardous conditions are eliminated or minimised and that near misses and injuries are reported immediately to their supervisor.

If the role includes people management duties, these include the requirement to manage the health and safety of people under this control and support the actions contained in SGH OH&S policies.

Infection Prevention and Control

An effective, integrated organisation-wide Infection Prevention and Control Program is dependent upon the support, recognition, motivation, commitment and integrity of every staff member.

All staff members have a responsibility to maintain infection prevention and control knowledge levels commensurate with the requirements of the position and to adhere to the organisation's Infection Prevention and Control policies and procedures at all times.

Learning and Development

SGH is committed to education.

All staff have a responsibility to undertake their own professional development and actively participate in the learning and development of others. This may involve colleagues, health professionals from other disciplines or students. Inter-professional education is strongly encouraged and supported and is integral to a small rural hospital.

Health and Wellbeing

The health and wellbeing of employees is a priority for South Gippsland Hospital and the importance of an environment that promotes and nurtures the physical, mental, emotional and social wellbeing of all individuals is recognised in this workplace.

Staff are expected to:

- partake in the promotion of the health and wellbeing of employees
- contribute to an inclusive and health promoting environment
- promote our values of trust, excellence, accountability, adaptability and mutual respect
- promote an organisational culture of positive mental health and wellbeing through supportive leadership, employee participation and shared decision making

Diversity Statement

South Gippsland Hospital is committed to providing employment, health care and all related business based on the principles of access, equity and respect. South Gippsland Hospital acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land on which we work and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

Staff are expected to provide excellence in care and a safe, welcoming and inclusive health service by:

- extending respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people at all times,
- engaging respectfully with all cultures and
- respecting and appreciating what makes each individual different, in terms of age, gender, ethnicity, religion, disability, sexual orientation, education and national origin.

MULTI AGENCY RISK ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT (MARAM)

Family Violence is a health issue and SGH provide support to any staff member experiencing family violence. All public hospitals are legislated to screen, identify and respond to family violence. The Multi Agency Risk Assessment Management (MARAM) framework is a whole organisation, multi-level approach to family violence. At SGH, we are committed to align our organisation with the 4 pillars of the MARAM framework: Shared understanding, Collaborative practice, Responsibility for risk assessment and management and Systems, outcomes and improvement. We respectfully, safely, and sensitively engage with all. We work collaboratively to increase the safety of people experiencing family violence, and to keep perpetrators in view and accountable for their actions and behaviours. We are committed to ensuring that all staff have access to adequate training to enable them to fulfil the responsibilities assigned to their role in the MARAM framework. Employees will undertake MARAM training as appropriate to their position and adhere to related policies.

At SGH all staff either contributes to or holds the following responsibilities;

Responsibility 1: Respectful, sensitive and safe engagement with clients and colleagues

Responsibility 2: Identification of family violence risk

Responsibility 5: Seek secondary consultations and referrals for comprehensive risk assessment and management

Responsibility 6: Contribute to information sharing with other services in line with SGH Information Sharing Policy

Responsibility 9: Contribute to coordinated risk management

Responsibility 10: Collaborate for ongoing risk assessment and risk management

In addition to the above, some senior nursing staff hold responsibilities of

Responsibility 3: Intermediate risk assessments
Responsibility 4: Intermediate risk management.

Confidentiality

Confidentiality is a matter of concern for all persons who have access to personal information about patients, clients, residents or employees of South Gippsland Hospital.

Staff must understand and accept that in accessing this personal information they hold a position of trust relative to this information. In recognising these responsibilities staff must agree to preserve the confidential nature of this information.

Failure to comply with this agreement may result in disciplinary action and may include termination of employment.

Quality and Risk Management

In order to ensure patient safety and high quality of care:

- Staff are required to participate in the development and maintenance of a quality service through the application of professional standards; participation in quality improvement activities; and compliance with the policies, procedures, practices and organisational goals and objectives of SGH.
- Staff are required to encourage the patient to partner with the health care team and be at the center of all care decisions.
- Staff are required to contribute to the development and maintenance of the SGH Risk Management Framework and apply the framework to identify, evaluate and minimise exposure to risk.
- Staff are required to abide by the Code of Conduct for Victorian Public Sector Employee
- Clinical leaders are required to help support other clinicians to understand and perform their delegated safety and quality roles

Special Requirements

- New staff will be required to satisfactorily complete a National Police Records, and Working with Children Check prior to commencing employment.
- Should your role require you to drive a South Gippsland Hospital vehicle, a current Victorian Drivers Licence is required. Loss of licence or any licence infringement must be reported by the employee to Management immediately.
- A completion of pre-existing injury or illness declaration will be required prior to appointment to the position.
- All employees of South Gippsland Hospital are bound to work according to the policies and procedures of South Gippsland Hospital, the Industrial Agreements that provide their terms and conditions of employment, any Scopes of Practice and professional codes of conduct established for your profession, the Code of Conduct for Victorian public sector employees and the provisions of the Fair Work Act, as amended from time to time.
- All employees are required to familiarise themselves with these Policies and Procedures, Agreements, Scopes of Practice, Codes of Conduct and the relevant provisions of the Fair Work Act particularly those which relate to working harmoniously with other staff.

INCUMBENT STATEMENT

I, _____ have read, understand and accept
(please print name)
the above Position Description.

Signed: _____ Date _____

Copy to staff member: Yes No

Details certified correct by:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____