

Job Title:

PA/Medical Oncology Specialist/Infusion Center

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Job Description:

Oncology Physician Assistant, under clinical supervision of the Physicians in the St. Luke's Cancer Care Hematology/Oncology Specialists of the St. Luke's University Hospital & Health Network in association with St. Luke's Infusion Centers, assists in the delivery of patient care services for the adult oncology patient population. In conjunction with the national oncology guidelines (NCCN, NCI, ASCO, et) and/or Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) standards of care, the NP or PA will provide, monitor and coordinate care of the oncology patient within the St. Luke's Infusion Centers which includes the physician practice setting, infusion center or inpatient unit as directed. The NP or PA will assist in program development such as Survivorship, and other programs as needed. Also assists in oncology nursing education, professional development, training and competency, policy and procedure development and program development.

JOB DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Provides total, comprehensive care to patients in an organized and systematic manner to include: Performs comprehensive history and physical assessment for patients
- Orders appropriate diagnostic studies.
- Consult with attending oncologists, hematologists/gyn-oncologists to determine appropriate medical management and follow-up.
- Completes admission orders, treatment orders, and discharge orders as needed within scope of practice. Interprets and utilizes clinical data in the plan of care.
- Assesses patient for potential risk factors. Recognizes and integrates patients' special needs and individualizes care using an interdisciplinary approach.
- Integrates pain management and supportive care in the plan of care, as needed.
- Performs in office procedures as directed (e.g. bone marrow biopsies).
- Responds in an emergency situation; initiates care until medical emergency staff arrives.
- Adheres to infection control standards specific to patient care.
- Assumes accountability for managing the delivery of patient care.
- Utilizes oncology national standards of care and Oncology Nursing Society standards of oncology patient management.
- Adheres to and models all hospital-based regulatory and non-regulatory practice based requirements of the organization.
- Participates and offers presentations throughout the St. Luke's Cancer Center programs as well as community events for education and public relations.
- Assumes an active role Cancer Survivorship, patient education, and interdisciplinary care coordination. Knowledgeable in oncology clinical trials and pain management.

- Monitors individualized treatment plans and uses critical thinking skills to proactively manage unexpected toxicities over the course of cancer care delivery to minimize breaks in physician-prescribed treatment plans.
- Arranges appropriate plan of care and follow-up based on outcomes of diagnostic lab and physical assessment findings unique to oncologic patient populations.
- Communicates plan of care with appropriate providers including the physician, the nursing staff, the nurse navigators and the social work team, as well as with the patient and family members.
- Provides patient and family instruction related to the plan of care, disease process, new treatment plans, and medication regimens.
- Advocates for patients ensuring patient/family participation in care, knowledge of treatment options, and understanding of patient rights.
- Considers the holistic needs of the patients and works the interdisciplinary team e.g. palliative care. In collaboration with the patient care team, works with clinical research members in all phases of clinical research.
- Assists in St. Luke's Cancer Centers departmental performance improvement processes, outcome reviews, and compliance with all regulatory requirements.
- Seeks professional development by maintaining knowledge of current literature and research in the field of oncology medicine, pursues educational opportunities for professional growth (e.g., CEU's, update conferences), serving on department, hospital or community committees and participates in and presenting at local, regional and national professional organizations.
- Participates in educational opportunities; provides formal and informal educational programs for other members of the health care team consistent with evidence-based practice standards.
- Provides community education, health promotion, and outreach related to oncology care.
- Complies with all payer credentialing, coding, and billing requirements of the St. Luke's Hematology/Oncology Specialists.
- Able to keep Meaningful use data and submits all required activity and statistical reports to Practice Administrator, Physician Services as required/requested.
- Maintains confidentiality of all materials handled within the Network/ Entity as well as the proper release of information.

EDUCATION: Master of Science Degree with completion of a Physician Assistant program. BLS certification required. Medical Physician Assistant, or Osteopathic Physician Assistant with current license to practice in the state of Pennsylvania and willing to obtain license in New Jersey, as determined by the job location. Physician Assistants must also have a current certification through the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: Requires a minimum of two years oncology experience and 2-4 years adult (oncology highly preferred) NP or PA experience preferably in an outpatient setting. Experience in chemotherapy orders and administration and outpatient oncology patient symptom management required.

WORK SCHEDULE: The schedule although subject to change is full time days, Monday through Friday, Saturdays as needed to meet the needs of the department. Primary location is at our Anderson campus, with coverage as needed at our Bethlehem and Monroe campuses.