

#### 1. General Information

Position Title:	Hospitality Services Assistant	
Position Reports to:	Hospitality Services Operations Manager	
Enterprise/Individual Agreement:	Epworth Helthcare Health and Allied Services Enterprise Agreement	
Classification/Grade:	Hospitality Services Assitant	
Key Relationships - internal and external	<ul> <li>Supervisor and Hospitality Services Operations Manager</li> <li>NUM, ANUM and Support Services Care team, internal service providers i.e. nursing and ward administration staff, food services team and patient transport</li> <li>Patients, inclusive of family member(s) and visitors</li> </ul>	

### 2. Overview of Epworth HealthCare

Epworth HealthCare is Victoria's largest not-for-profit private health care group, renowned for excellence in diagnosis, treatment, care and rehabilitation. Epworth is an innovator in Australia's health system, embracing the latest in evidence-based medicine to pioneer treatments and services for our patients.

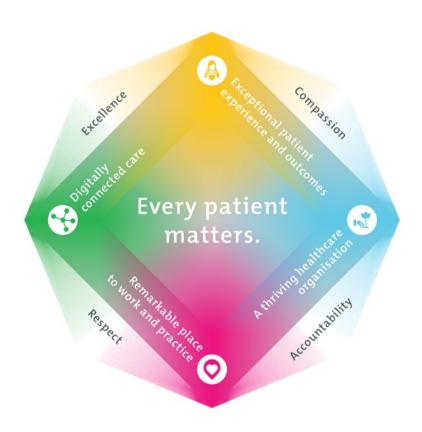
Epworth's values define our approach and our delivery. We pride ourselves on communicating our values and delivering on them in a real and meaningful way. Our Values are Compassion, Accountability, Respect and Excellence. More information can be found on the <u>Epworth website</u>.

Epworth's purpose is Every Patient Matters.

Our Vision is Delivering another 100 years of exceptional healthcare and innovation to the Victorian community.



### 3. Epworth HealthCare Strategy



All roles are linked to the Epworth strategy and are fundamental in achieving its vision and purpose.

**Exceptional patient experience and outcomes -** To empower our patients and deliver compassionate, expert and coordinated care.

A thriving healthcare organisation - To adapt and grow in a changing healthcare landscape by delivering a unique private not-for-profit healthcare organisation.

**Remarkable place to work and practice -** To ensure Epworth is an outstanding place to work and practice through a culture of care and investment in our people.

**Digitally connected care** - To innovate and improve the digital experience, interactions and outcomes for our patients, staff and doctors.



#### 4. Purpose of the Position

The primary function of the Hospitality Services Assistant (HSA) is to provide a broad range of support services which can include cleaning; bed making; collection of laundry; distribution of linen; waste disposal; assistance in moving and transporting patients; meal trolley deliveries; cafeteria service; setting up functions; cleaning of kitchen/cafeteria areas; meal plating or other tasks as directed.

You will work as member of the Hospitality Services team to provide a high quality, clean and safe environment for patient's, VMOs, tenants, staff and visitors that is consistent with the infection control standards. In particular to utilise available resources, promote and participate in all required standards and quality activities and provide outstanding customer service to ensure a positive patient experience.

You will play an active role within the Epworth Support Services team, participating in building a community-based culture that fosters a spirit of achievement, capability and development by ensuring consistency with Epworth's Mission and Values.

#### 5. Clinical Governance Framework

This role is required to put into practice the Clinical Governance Framework at Epworth as every employee is accountable for ensuring that our patients and community receive safe, high quality and person-centred care in every interaction with Epworth. This is achieved through active participation in the five domains of clinical governance at Epworth:

Clinical Governance Domain	Role
Leadership and culture	Promote and participate in a supportive, fair and transparent culture where lessons from previous outcomes are learned
	and patient safety and quality is a priority at all levels of the organisation.
Consumer Partnerships	Understand and where relevant, ensure that each patient is actively involved in their own care and treatment including
	families/carers wherever possible.
Effective Workforce	Develop and maintain one's own competency, skills and knowledge to ensure high quality service provision and care.
Clinical Safety and Effectiveness	Understand and where relevant, ensure, that the right care is provided to the right person at the right time, in the right
	place and patient outcomes are monitored and improved.
Risk Management	Be responsible for identifying and reporting risks, hazards and near misses for people in our care and participating in risk
	mitigation strategies.



## **6. Key Accountabilities**

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES	MEASURES/KPIs TO BE ACHIEVED
<ul> <li>Hospitality Services</li> <li>Stripping of and making beds as required</li> <li>Set up of patient rooms as required</li> <li>Restocking</li> <li>Food services assistance as required including cafeteria and setting up of functions</li> <li>Maintenance of flowers (in-patient areas only)</li> <li>Other kitchen and food service related tasks as required</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rooms are ready for patients in a timely manner</li> <li>Stocks of items are kept at specified levels</li> <li>Service and support provided to food functions is friendly and efficient</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Provides safe patient transport within operating suites, wards and other areas of the hospital including admissions, discharges and out-patient services, using the appropriate manual handling equipment wherever possible</li> <li>Assist clinical staff in moving patients</li> <li>Proactively provide support to patients in relation to provision of services</li> <li>Encourage patients and family members participation in Point of Care usage</li> <li>Timely reporting of patient concerns relating to hospitality services to Supervisor or delegate</li> <li>Demonstrate empathy and compassion to patients and their family</li> <li>Maintain patient confidentiality as prescribed by the relevant Acts and organisational policies and protocols</li> <li>Practices in accordance with Infection Control Standards</li> <li>Practice AIDET in all patient interactions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Safe movement and positioning of patients (in</li> <li>conjunction with clinical staff)</li> <li>Compliance with mandatory annual Manual Handling training and Safe Moves</li> <li>Utilises manual handling equipment in accordance with training and guidelines wherever possible</li> <li>Sound relationships developed and maintained with customers</li> <li>Compliance with Information Privacy Act (2000) and the Health Records Act (2000)</li> <li>Compliance with Social Medial Policies and Protocols of Epworth HealthCare</li> <li>Customer and patient feedback</li> </ul>
Efficient and effective delivery of cleaning and waste management services at all campuses of the hospital including general and periodic cleaning of wards, patient rooms, departments and external areas.	<ul> <li>Safe and correct operation of cleaning equipment</li> <li>A clean and waste free environment for all departments and general areas</li> <li>Compliance with Infection Control Standards</li> <li>Compliance with external, independent cleaning audit</li> </ul>



<ul> <li>Maintain nominated areas in a clean state in accordance with specified work schedules and cleaning systems</li> <li>Safely remove waste and linen from allocated area</li> <li>Patient room cleaning including discharge cleaning and infectious room cleans as required</li> <li>Patient bathroom cleaning</li> <li>Clean and maintain common areas</li> <li>Undertake other cleaning tasks as directed</li> <li>Cleaning of general equipment (non-clinical)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Infection control audits are passed within organisational KPIs</li> <li>Practice in accordance with chemical handling requirements</li> </ul>
Works cooperatively and collaboratively with all members of the team     Provides positive and constructive feedback and communicates well with other team members     Actively participates as a member of the team and department	<ul> <li>Attends and actively participates in department and team meetings</li> <li>Provides and receives feedback in a positive and professional manner</li> <li>Assists new staff and trainees</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Quality Improvement</li> <li>Strives to consistently improve service delivery and practice</li> <li>Provides suggestions, and feedback to Supervisor and Manager on quality activities</li> <li>Actively participates in quality improvement activities within the unit or department in accordance with the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Evidence of participation in quality activities</li> <li>Shows a proactive attitude in reviewing, supporting and implementing relevant initiatives into service improvements</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Personal and Professional Development</li> <li>Participates in prescribed performance development system annually</li> <li>Participates in the orientation of new and casual staff</li> <li>Participates in supervision of junior staff (where requested by Supervisor or delegate)</li> <li>Participates in and provides as requested by Supervisor (or delegate) training to department staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Knowledge and commitment to the Health and Allied Services</li> <li>Enterprise Agreement (as amended from time to time)         Knowledge and commitment to Epworth HealthCare policies, procedures and staff code of conduct     </li> <li>Completion of annual performance appraisal and yearly core competencies</li> <li>Participation in in-services, department education and meetings</li> <li>Completion of objectives outlined in self-development plan (provide evidence of)</li> </ul>



Customer Service	
Epworth is committed to the provision of excellent customer service to all of our people, customers and stakeholders including patients and external suppliers.  Superior patient service leads to improved healing in a trusting, caring environment and creates a safe environment for patients and employees.	<ul> <li>Patient and customer service satisfaction surveys within agreed targets</li> <li>Use AIDET principles in all interactions</li> <li>Issues are escalated to the manager and resolved in a timely manner</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Provide excellent, helpful service to patients, visitors and staff</li> <li>Communicate with clear and unambiguous language in all interactions, tailored to the audience</li> <li>Build customer relationships and greet customers and patients promptly and courteously</li> <li>Actively seek to understand patients' and their family's (customers) expectations and issues</li> </ul>	
Participate actively and positively in the area of health and safety to reduce all hazards and incidents within the workplace  Report all hazards, incidents, injuries and near misses immediately to your	<ul> <li>Adhere to infection control/personal hygiene precautions</li> <li>Implement and adhere to Epworth OHS policies, protocols and safe work procedures</li> <li>Mandatory training completed at agreed frequency</li> </ul>

### 7. Position Requirements/Key Selection Criteria

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Qualifications	Essential
	<ul> <li>A relevant cleaning related certificate/qualification</li> <li>Food Handling Certificate</li> </ul>
Previous Experience	Desirable
	Hospital or Hotel sector based experience



	Cleaning or food handling experience in a similar role
	Experience with patient transport, patient lifting or manual handling
Required Knowledge	Essential
& Skills	Understanding of infection control processes within a healthcare environment
	Understanding of relevant Acts
	Knowledge of OHS requirements in hospital cleaning and waste management
	Knowledge and understanding of cleaning standards for Victorian health facilities 2011
	Understanding of Accreditation processes or a willingness to learn and commit to accreditation processes
	Effective communication skills
	Ability to organise and prioritise tasks
Personal Attributes &	Essential
Values	Belief in patient centred care
All employees are	Committed to providing a safe environment for patients and colleagues
expected to consistently work in accordance with	Professional work ethic
Epworth's values and	Practices within the ethos of the Epworth HealthCare Values and Behaviours
behaviours	Ability to learn new skills
	Willingness and ability to work within a team environment
Compassion	Maintain patient confidentiality
<ul><li>Accountability</li><li>Respect</li></ul>	Desirable
• Excellence	Self-motivated and self-directed
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#### **Document Control**

Date Developed:	Date Last Reviewed:	Developed and Reviewed By (Position Title):

### 8. Employee Position Declaration

I have read and understand the requirements and expectations of the above Position Description. I agree that I have the physical ability to fulfil the inherent physical requirements of the position, and accept my role in fulfilling the Key Accountabilities. I understand that the information and statements in this position description are intended to reflect a general overview of the responsibilities and are not to be interpreted as being all-inclusive.

Employee Signature:	
Print Name:	Date: