

1. General Information

Position Title:	Registered Nurse		
Division/Department:			
Position Reports to:	Nurse Unit Manager (or nominee)		
Enterprise/Individual Agreement:	Epworth HealthCare Nurses Enterprise Agreement		
Classification/Grade:	Grade 2		
Location:			
Employment Status:	Permanent Part-time		
Key Relationships - internal and external	 Patients, inclusive of family member(s) & visitors Nurse Unit Manager and Associate Nurse Unit Manager Medical staff and VMOs and Hospital Medical Officers (HMO) Multi-disciplinary team colleagues Internal service providers le. pathology, patient transport, radiology 		

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.

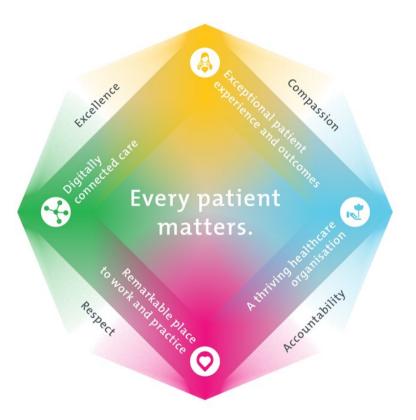
Epworth's values define our approach and our delivery. We pride ourselves on communicating our values and delivering on them in a real and meaningful way. Our Values are Compassion, Accountability, Respect and Excellence. More information can be found on the Epworth website.

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

To collaborate and provide best practice in high quality surgical nursing and patient assessment skills and experience that is in accordance with the patient's physical, psychological, emotional, social and spiritual well being. In particular to utilise available resources, promote and participate in all national standards and quality activities and provide outstanding customer service to ensure positive clinical outcomes.

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
 Clinical Care Practice in accordance with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia	 Compliance with mandatory and unit specific competencies
(NMBA) National Competency Standards for Registered Nurses Practice in accordance with the National Safety and Quality Health	every 12 months or as prescribed Compliance with NMBA National Competency Standards for
Service (NSQHS) Standards Practice in accordance with legislative and common law requirements	Registered Nurses Compliance with NSQHS Compliance with legislative and common law requirements

Position Description



 Actively participate in a team nursing model of care Utilises a reflective, critical thinking and evidence based approach to the clinical care of patients Consistently conduct & participate in bedside handover Encourages patients and family members participation in all stages of care continuum Performs effective admission and discharge processes in accordance with organisation KPI Timely reporting of outcomes of nursing interventions to the Nurse Unit Manager (or delegate) Demonstrate empathy and compassion to patients and their family, colleagues and VMOs. Respect and uphold the dignity and rights of consumers, relatives, carers, colleagues and members of the community Maintain patient confidentiality as prescribed by the relevant Acts and organisational policies and protocols Practices in accordance with Infection Control Standards 	 Compliance with discharge KPI Patient and customer service satisfaction surveys to be within organisational targets Sound relationships developed and maintained with customers Compliance with Information Privacy Act (2000) and the Health Records Act (2000) Compliance with EEO & Social Medial Policies and Protocols of Epworth HealthCare Compliance with Call Bell response KPI
 Team Work Works cooperatively and collaboratively with all members of the multidisciplinary team Provides positive and constructive feedback to others team members Actively participates as a member of the units team 	 Attends and actively participates in department and team meetings Feedback from team members
 Quality Improvement Strives to consistently improve service delivery and clinical practice Provides suggestions, and feedback to ANUM and NUM on quality activities Actively participates in quality improvement activities within the unit or department in accordance with the National Standards for Clinical Excellence and ACHS Accreditation Standards 	 Evidence of participation in quality activities Improved patient care Improvement in performance of unit and Epworth healthcare site Show a proactive attitude in reviewing, supporting and implementing relevant research into the clinical environment Provide leadership [with appropriate supervision] to other team members by acting as Nurse In Charge from time to time



Personal and Professional Development	
 Participates in prescribed performance development system annually Evaluates personal performance and plans self-development Participates in supervision of Enrolled Nurses and students (where requested by NUM) Participates in the orientates new and casual staff Participates in and provides as requested by NUM (or delegate) education to unit staff and students 	 Completion of annual performance appraisal Participation in in-services, ward education, ward meetings Completion of objectives outlined in self- development plan (provide evidence of) Training of staff in relevant ward/unit specific activities (when requested by NUM)
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.	 Patient and customer service satisfaction surveys within agreed targets Use AIDET principles in all interactions Issues are escalated to the manager and resolved in a timely manner
Superior patient service leads to improved healing in a trusting, caring environment and creates a safe environment for patients and employees.	
 Provide excellent, helpful service to patients, visitors and staff Communicate with clear and unambiguous language in all interactions, tailored to the audience Build customer relationships and greet customers and patients promptly and courteously Actively seek to understand patients' and their family's (customers) expectations and issues 	
 Safety and Wellbeing 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 	 Adhere to infection control/personal hygiene precautions Implement and adhere to Epworth OHS policies, protocols and safe work procedures Mandatory training completed at agreed frequency



7. Position Requirements/Key Selection Criteria

COMPONENT	
Qualifications	Essential
	Regsitered Nurse with:
	 Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia [NMBA] Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency [AHPRA] Desirable
	Relevant Post Graduate qualification
Previous Experience	Essential
	 Broad knowledge and experience in surgical nursing Strength in patient assessment
Required Knowledge & Skills	 Essential Knowledge and commitment to Acts, Agreements and Epworth Healthcare directions, policies, procedures and staff code of conduct Knowledge and understanding of National Standards for Clinical Excellence and ACHS Accreditation Standards Solid computer skills Desirable
	 Demonstrate role model behaviour Superior conflict resolution skills
Personal Attributes & Values All employees are expected to consistently work in accordance with Epworth's values and behaviours • Compassion • Accountability • Respect • Excellence	 Essential Belief in patient centred care Committed to providing a safe environment for patients & colleagues Professional work ethic Practices within the ethos of the Epworth HealthCare Values & Behaviours Desirable Self-motivated and self-directed



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: