Ventricular Assist Device Program Coordinator, Heart Institute

The Heart Institute at Dell Children’s Ascension is seeking the support for a Mechanical Circulatory Support Specialist/Coordinator. The coordinator will be a member of the Pediatric Heart Failure and Transplant Team as well as integrated in the perfusion support services. This position will report to the Director of Mechanical Circulatory Support at Dell Seton Medical School and will collaborate with Heart Failure Physicians, Cardiothoracic Surgeons, Heart Center leadership involved in the care of ventricular assist device (VAD) patients.

Responsibilities

• Perform as a clinical expert and educator within the scope of practice deemed by the medical center and Heart Institute. Function as a professional nurse and apply an extensive background of knowledge and experience with infants, children, adolescent and adult patients, displaying mature critical thinking skills. Meet patient and family needs through utilization of interdepartmental and intradepartmental resources.
• Participate in Transplant call coverage and day of transplant coordination.
• Collaborate in the clinical coordination of inpatient and outpatient VAD care. Participate in conferences and meetings. Provide overnight call for outpatient VAD patients. Participate in Transplant call coverage and day of transplant coordination.
• Provide patient care including daily assessments and dressing changes. Facilitate patient and family learning by providing education based on the plan of care goals and the needs of the patient and family.
• Understanding of regulatory requirements and accreditation standards.
• Implement clinical changes and research-based practices developed by others; Identify research opportunities to promote improved clinical practice.
• Train nurses and other allied personnel regarding management of VAD patients.

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