Job Title:Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) TechDate:March 2016Supervisor's Title:Program ManagerFLSA:Non-Exempt

Clearance: Facility SCA: Yes

Contract: VA CA Radiology Services Location: San Diego, CA

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Technician provides services to the VA San Diego Healthcare System (VASDHS) on a full-time basis and must be flexible to schedule changes. Provides a range of services normally provided in a similar civilian healthcare facility in accordance with the following specifications

- Independently operates radiographic equipment to perform a variety of complex diagnostic radiographic exams.
- Receives patients, explains method of procedures, positions patients, selects and sets technical factors, sets up and adjusts accessory equipment, and makes and develops exposures.
- Operate a super conductive MRI machine, which is a highly complex computerized imaging device that employs the use of strong magnetic fields and radio waves to acquire images of the entire body, including the brain, neck, spine, chest, body and extremities.
- Sets up radiographic suites and assures that sterile supplies, contrast materials, catheters and other required equipment/supplies are present and available.
- Prepares and administers contrast material orally, by enema, or under close supervision of Radiologists, intravenously but not independently. As required by procedure or patient's condition, monitors vital signs (blood pressure and heart rate) and reports any significant changes to a radiologist.
- Performs related clerical duties such as sending images to PACS, archiving images, and case editing of computer requests and reports.
- As required, maintains records and enters patient information into the computer through the use of the Radiology Veterans Information Systems and Technology Architecture (VISTA) Package.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Graduate of an accredited Joint Review Committee on Education of Radiologic Technologists (JRCERT) program
- American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) certified
- Preferred: possess of a Fluoroscopy Permit
- Current California Radiologic Technologist (CRT) license
- Current Basic Life Support (BLS) certification
- Minimum of two years of verifiable work experience as an MRI Tech and able to work with minimal or no supervision

- Picture Archiving Communication System (PACS) experience is required. Experience with Agfa PACS is preferred but not required as training can be provided.
- The qualifications shall be subject to review by the VA Chief of Radiology and approval by the VA Chief of Staff (COS)

Abilities Required:

- Must be familiar with all radiographic fluoroscopy, surgery procedures, as well as portable and routine general diagnostic exams.
- Most examinations are to be performed independently. The Chief Technologist and/or Lead Technologist shall monitor the clinical workload and may assign procedures, provide assistance, and evaluate work performed at VASDHS.
- Subject to the quality assurance standards in meeting or exceeding current recognized national standards as established by the JCAHO.
- Perform services in accordance with the ethical, professional, and technical standards of the healthcare industry as consistent with VA policy, regulations, and procedures.
- Must be technically proficient in the skills necessary to fulfill the job requirements, including the ability to speak, understand, read and write English fluently.
- Responsible for compliance with all procedures in accordance with applicable VASDHS
 written policies, procedures, bylaws of the medical staff and protocols. Will not introduce
 new procedures or services without prior recommendation to and approval of the COS or
 authorized representative(s) and through the Contracting Officer.

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