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**Infection Preventionist**

Jefferson Hospital

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Job Description :

GENERAL OVERVIEW:

In collaboration with the Physician Chairman of the Infection Prevention and Control Committee, designs and implements the Infection Prevention Program of the hospital meeting both internal and external requirements of regulatory agencies.

Promotes quality patient care through a program which includes investigation and problem solving in relation to the surveillance, prevention and control of infection and is responsible for identification of hospital onset infections, analysis of those infections, development of recommendations (including policies and procedures) that reduce all types of hospital acquired infections.

Develops relationships with all departments within the hospital acting as both consultant and educator regarding disinfection, sterilization, patient practices, policies and procedures designed to prevent infections.

ESSENTIAL RESPONSIBILITIES:

* + Develops and organizes Infection Control Program for all areas of the hospital including plans for development, implementation and review of system-wide data collection and policies. (20%)
  + Prepares data for monthly and quarterly Infection Prevention Committee meetings. Analyzes, interprets data, plans methodology, guides/directs actions necessary for infection control compliance for patients, healthcare workers, visitors, medical staff and analyze individual patient information and surveillance data and interview where appropriate. Compiles and shares surveillance data with hospital leadership and provides information and guidance on infection control issues on request such as emerging communicable diseases, postexposure management and isolation precaution. (30%)
  + Coordinates timely reporting of communicable diseases through electronic system NEDSS, NHSN and works in partnership with PADOH and local county health departments for appropriate follow-up as needed. (20%)
  + Involvement in organization activities through participation with committees, task forces, AHN collaborative and quality initiative projects. Demonstrates fiscal responsibility, supports cost containment and opportunities for cost reduction when appropriate. (10%)
  + Implement processes and assures compliance with state and federal governmental and other regulatory agencies (e.g., OSHA) and accreditation (e.g., The Joint Commission), including involvement with all demolition, construction, re-wiring, alterations in existing hospital environment and completions of required Infection Control Construction Risk Assessments. (10%)
  + Maintains self-education regarding infection control standards and the Joint Commission and DOH regulations. Provides on-going training programs to AHN staff including Nursing, Medical Surgical Residents and Interns and other system employees to reduce the risk of healthcare associated infections. Maintains hospital and department infection prevention policies and procedures including exposure control plan for blood borne pathogens. (10%)
  + Performs other duties as assigned or required.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Minimum

* + Current licensure as an RN or MT (ASCP)
  + CIC certified within 2 years of hire
  + 5 years experience in nursing or medical technology working in an Infection Prevention environment

Preferred

* + BA or BS from a four year college or university
  + Supervisory or administrative experience

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