

Cameroon – Perioperative Nurse Course Coordinator

Job Description:

This missionary program of teaching Perioperative Nurses, Perioperative Scrub Technicians, and Central Sterile Processing Department Technicians has been an evolution that grew out of a 1- to 2-year project and has now become integral to the preparation of these healthcare specialties within the Cameroon Baptist Convention Health Services system. The first course was in January of 2014, consisting of 10 weeks of combined didactics and on-the-job clinicals. The perioperative course now uses 4 months of didactic and clinical coursework, followed by a 6-month clinical internship period that includes 2 or 3 clinical evaluation visits by a Perioperative Instructor Team. Likewise, the Central Processing Course has grown to be a 3-month didactic, with clinical internship for a total of 6 months to finish the training period. The jobs attended to include the following:



- Mentoring the Perioperative Instructors, who will do a major part of the didactic and clinical teaching.
 - Observing and participating in daily didactic sessions, which last 4 months.
 - Updating/teaching the Perioperative Instructors on best-practice teaching techniques.
 - Editing and instructing on the writing of exams.
 - Reviewing and giving feedback on the clinical skills teaching and mentoring.
 - Traveling and mentoring the Perioperative Instructors as they visit the students in their various hospitals during the 6-month clinical phase of internship and on-the-job practicals.
 - Transmit skills in official letter writing, Excel spreadsheet creation, creating evaluation tools, improving teaching of clinical skills, and evaluating students in ways that promote accountability for both the instructors and the students.
- Reviewing and updating textbooks and teaching materials as needed, including the Perioperative Instructors so they also learn these skills.
- Mentoring leadership responsibilities and relationships with Administration (hospital, nursing, chief of surgery, etc.).

Qualifications:

- Master of Nursing Science preferred (Bachelor okay with OR experience).
- Operating Room nurse for a minimum of five years.