SUMMARY: Manage and coordinate nursing and patient care management for (state program or specific group of patients) in collaboration with physicians/interdisciplinary team. Provide diagnostic as well as therapeutic intervention and day-to-day evaluation, including diagnostic and pharmacologic intervention under direction of a physician. Implement and coordinate a plan of care for patients to address the physical, emotional, and psychosocial needs of patients and families. Serve as informational resource to patients, families, and staff. Make appropriate physician and allied health care referrals.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Assess patient health status by reviewing complete health history to include all past medical, family, and psychosocial history and conduct a comprehensive physical examination of the patient.

Order, interpret and evaluate diagnostic tests and procedures to identify and assess patient’s clinical problems and health status.

Prescribe and adjust dosage of medications per written protocol or in consultation with a physician.

Perform diagnostic and therapeutic procedures as necessary for appropriate care of the patient.

Formulate appropriate differential diagnosis and identify both individual and family needs.

Develop a plan and coordinate outpatient management, including education and home/community care.

Triage outpatient telephone assessments, interpret and record data and consult or report information to medical provider to determine plan of care and appropriate follow-up.

Provide continuity of care through all stages of illness - diagnosis, treatment, relapse and terminal care, as well as continued health maintenance and observation for potential late effects of therapy.

Participate in daily medical rounds with health care team and house staff to assess patient needs. Serve as information resource to patients and their families to provide instruction regarding diagnosis, treatment, methods, and objectives.

Maintain clinical competency in medical and nursing care of patients and stay informed of current trends and developments in nursing practice.

Act as an educational resource for the medical and nursing staff, other health care providers and community agencies/providers in regard to the specific care of patients.

Plan and participate in the orientation of new nurse practitioners, nursing staff, fellows, residents, medical students and nursing students.

Plan and participate in research/investigation related to the specific area, and medical outcomes.
Incorporate research findings into practice as applicable. Compare clinical practices to national standards in order to positively affect patient outcomes.

Develop and/or provide educational materials for patients, families and health care professionals. Perform other related duties incidental to the work described herein.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Master’s Degree in Nursing from an accredited nursing program or completion of an accredited program for nurse practitioners required. At least two years of clinical nursing experience in *(specialty area to be determined by unit)* and current Indiana RN licensure are also required.

(If prescriptive authority will be required, the qualifications must include: “Prescriptive authority card from the Health Professions Bureau of the State of Indiana is also required.”)