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<b>Job Title:</b> Theatre Nurse	<b>Working Hours:</b> Specific to the hospital
<b>Location:</b> Your Hospital Name	<b>Reports To:</b> Nursing Superintendent
<b>Department:</b> Operation theatre	
<b>Prime Job</b>	Arranging the operation theatre according to the different operations, arranging the instruments according to the operations, preparing the patients who come for eye surgery and helping the doctor in the operation theatre.
<b>Main Responsibilities:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sterilizing the Operation theatre and keeping it ready for the surgery.</li> <li>2. Sterilizing the tools and instruments in the theatre, arranging the instruments after checking and taking care of the instruments.</li> <li>3. Preparing the patients for eye surgery according to the patient's case sheet (Retina, Glaucoma, Cornea, Paediatric, Orbit)</li> <li>4. General Duties.</li> </ol>	
<b>Key Tasks:</b>	
<b>1. Sterilizing the Operation theatre and keeping it ready for the surgery:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1.1</b> Removing the contagion from the Trolley table in the theatre by applying the antiseptic solution</li> <li><b>1.2</b> Cleaning the rooms and beds in the evening and keeping them ready for the next day surgery.</li> </ol>	

**1.3** After the surgery is over discarding the used injections and cotton and preparing the required cotton and injection for the next day.

**1.4** Keeping the required injections and other things for creating numbness etc. for the operation ready.

**1.5** Brining the required instruments for the surgery from the sterilization room and keeping it ready in the theatre for surgery.

**1.6** Getting the Case sheets of the patients and the lens and medicines used for the surgery be ready as per the case sheets of the patients who come there.

**1.7** Checking and receiving the lenses and medicines for the next day according to the number of patients.

**2. Sterilizing the tools and instruments in the theatre, arranging the instruments after checking and taking care of the instruments**

**2.1** Antiseptic and other required things for sterilizing must be kept ready

**2.2.**Checking the instruments in the operation theatre is functioning properly.

**2.3** Checking the instruments used for each patient after the surgery are in working condition. If they are blunt they should be replaced.

**2.4** Checking if the sterilization has been done in the correct temperature under steam for the required time

**2.5** The required instruments for the surgery must be kept ready in the theatre

**2.6** Providing the Ophthalmic surgeon and nurse at the right time with the required medicines, lenses, gloves, and Vitrectomy Probe as instructed in the case sheet.

**2.7** After every day's surgery the instruments should be cleaned immediately and sent for sterilization.

**3. Preparing the patients for eye surgery according to the patient's case:**

**3.1** Greeting the patients who come to the operation theatre according to their Registration numbers and registering their entry in the Register.

**3.2** Enquiring the patients who come for operation about their present health and also asking them if the required diagnosis has been made. This to be compared with the case sheet. Further according to the counsel of the doctor the required diagnosis like diabetes, BP should be made.

**3.3** Checking whether the pupil has been dilated, if it is not dilated enough, administering eye drops in the eyes again.

**3.4** Enquiring about the present health condition of the patient and explaining to the doctor.

**3.5** Giving proper explanation to the patients about the injections used and the medicines used, and explaining to them clearly about the surgery.

**3.6** According to the surgery preparing the patients by putting eye bandages, caps and socks which are sterilized.

**3.7** Helping the doctors or the chief nurse when the patients are injected.

**3.8** Should be ready to help the doctor in case of any emergency while injecting the medicine for numbness.

**3.9** Cleansing the particular part to be operated with antiseptic lotion and preparing them to go to the operation theatre.

**3.10** Protecting the operated eye with bandage after the operation is completed. Sending the patients to the ward after the surgery is over.

**4. General Duties:**

**4.1** On entering the theatre should change the dress and clean the hands with antiseptic solution.

**4.2** Helping the doctor and patients during outside eye camps.

**4.3** Maintain the hygiene by keeping the surroundings of the theatre clean.

**4.4** Should perform all the duties of the department with team spirit.

**4.5** Play an important role in the enlistment of the hospital by co-operating and working with other departments.

**4.6** Should be keenly interested to learn the new methods, and developments in eye surgery.

**JOB QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Should have passed Higher Secondary with science as Major subject.
2. Should understand the inconvenience of patients and clarify the doubts.
3. Should be talented to explain and clarify the doubts of the patients and those who accompany them.
4. Should be responsible, patient, adjustable and tolerant.

**Working Relationship:**

Needs to have good interpersonal and professional relationship with colleagues, paramedical staff and doctors.

**Freedom To act:**

To introduce innovative ideas on managing the general Operation theatre duties.

Approving Authority:

Signature of Receiver: