

Diagnostic Assignments

Purpose: To establish pager assignment to a specific area of the hospital. Pagers are assigned to personnel to facilitate the needs of patients and communicate the need for services.

Assignments: Pager #0038

- 7-3 Performs outpatient EKGs, ABG's, and spirometry (if qualified) in the Heart Station. This tech will also perform all Cath lab and Echo lab EKG's, and SICU maintenance.
- 3-11 Performs outpatient EKGs, ABG's, and spirometry (if qualified) in the Heart Station. This tech will also perform all Cath lab and Echo lab EKG's, and help co-workers.
- 11-7 This beeper is not used on the 11-7 shift.

Pager #0041

- 7-3 Covers EKG's in all inpatient areas and clinics. This beeper will also serve as the EKG Code pager. This tech will also help cover outpatient EKG's in the Heart Station during downtime.
- 3-11 Covers EKG's in all inpatient areas and clinics. This beeper will also serve as the EKG Code pager. This tech will also help cover outpatient EKG's in the Heart Station during downtime and will calibrate and clean ventilators.
- 11-7 This beeper is not used on the 11-7 shift.

Pager #0463

- 7-3 Covers the Emergency room, Cath lab, Echo lab, and Burn unit for all ABG's and spiograms. This tech will also carry the trauma beeper and help cover EKG's and ABG's in the Heart Station during downtime. This tech will perform ER maintenance.
- 3-11 Covers the Emergency room, Cath lab, Echo lab, and Burn unit for all ABG's and spiograms. This tech will also carry the trauma beeper and help cover EKG's and ABG's in the Heart Station during downtime. This tech will perform ER and SICU maintenance.
- 11-7 Covers the Emergency room, Cath lab, Echo lab, and Burn unit for all ABG's and spiograms. This tech will also carry the trauma beeper. This tech will perform ER and SICU maintenance (if qualified). If not, ER maintenance will be covered by pager #0462.

Pager #0462

- 7-3 Covers ABG's and spirometry in all inpatient areas and clinics. This tech will also carry the code pager and help cover EKG's and ABG's in the Heart Station during downtime. This tech will perform 5th floor and 7th floor maintenance.
- 3-11 Covers ABG's and spirometry in all inpatient areas and clinics. This tech will also carry the code pager and help cover EKG's and ABG's in the Heart Station during downtime. This tech will perform 5th floor and 7th floor maintenance, and O2 rounds.
- 11-7 Covers ABG's, spirometry, and EKG's in all inpatient areas except those areas covered by pager #0463. This tech will also carry the code pager for EKG and ABG. This tech will perform ER, SICU, NICU, and MICU lab maintenance unless a qualified tech covers pager #0463.

Pager #1825

- 7-3 Performs all EKG's in the ER and Burn unit. This tech will also help cover Heart Station, Cath lab, and Echo lab during downtime.
- 3-11 Performs all EKG's in the ER and Burn unit. This tech will also help cover Heart Station, Cath lab, and Echo lab during downtime.
- 11-7 Performs all EKG's in the ER and Burn unit.

Policy:

- Supervisors or charge therapist makes assignments of pagers on a daily basis.
1. Personnel assigned pagers are responsible for wearing pagers at all times during their shift.
 2. The hospital switchboard provides batteries and functional checks.
 3. Lost, stolen or damaged pagers are to reported immediately to the Supervisor.
 4. Pagers are to be passed off directly to the oncoming shift personnel who are to carry the assigned pager according to the matrix provided.
 5. If personnel are not available to receive their assigned pager, the supervisor, or charge therapist must receive the pager from the personnel going off-duty. The supervisor or charge therapist may elect to carry the pager or reassign the pager to another technician.
 6. Pagers that have not been assigned to the oncoming shift will be placed in the pager bin located in the Cardiopulmonary Services report room.
 7. Code and emergency pagers must responded to in immediate manner. A "222" preceding or succeeding after a page signifies a "STAT" page. "Tone" appearing on a digital pager read out also signifies a "STAT" response and requires calling the switchboard for location of the emergency.
 8. Digital Code/Trauma pagers will activate the pager twice to alert personnel of the request for services.

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