Nursing: Recovery Room or Operating Room

Description

Our nurses provide patients with their professional skills and personal touch. They embody the compassionate and caring spirit of Operation Smile's medical volunteer community. Their knowledge of pediatric principles and their diverse abilities ensure that every patient receives the exceptional care they deserve, every step of the way.

Nursing volunteers join Operation Smile missions in one of three roles: Recovery Room or Operating Room.

Qualifications

In order to be eligible as a nurse volunteer with Operation Smile, you must fulfill the following criteria:

Basic qualifications:

- Registered in Specialty (For US/CAN volunteers, minimum RN) and practiced within the past 2 years.
- Certified in Basic Life Support (BLS) or equivalent course.
- Certified in Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) or equivalent course.
- At least two (2) years of current experience in specialty applying.
- Clinical experience in acute care setting.
 - Note: practice areas such as administration, clinics, obstetrics and academic positions do not meet this criteria.

Specialty qualifications:

- Operating Room (OR) Nurses: At least two years of current experience in perioperative nursing in a hospital or surgical center. Ability to function in a circulating role.
- <u>Recovery Room/Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) Nurses</u>: At least two years of current experience in a PACU (experience with pediatric population required) or Pediatric ICU/Neonatal ICU setting.

Application documents needed:

- Completed Nursing application online, including three references.
- Copy of resume/curriculum vitae detailing current experience in specialty applying for.
- Copies of diplomas and degrees.
- Copy of current license/registration in field (For US/CAN volunteers, minimum RN).
- Copy of current BLS certification.
- Copy of current PALS certification.