

THE EASTERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

1. JOB TITLE	2. DIVISI	ON	3. DEPARTMENT
REGISTRAR (ORTHOPAEDICS)	SANGRE GRANDE HOSPITAL CAMPUS		ORTHOPAEDICS
4. ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIP		5. NATURE & SCOPE	
The Registrar will report to the designated Specialist Medical Officer (Orthopaedics).		The Registrar is responsible for diagnosing and administering general medical treatment to patients in a hospital or through extension services at a Clinic or other designated area. Work may entail performing surgery or assisting in major operations and this employee may work in a specialized area of medicine.	

6. SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES

The Registrar (Orthopaedics):

- □ Consults with senior to ensure that the daily clinical operations are effectively organized, monitored and controlled.
- Performs regular clinical rounds with the house officer to assess patients' day to day management and care.
- Collaborates and communicates with orthopaedic staff to ensure the best practices in the management of patients under care.
- Supervises the performance of House Officers when on shift and monitor all seriously ill patients within the shortest possible time.
- Recommends intelligent and cost-effective use of the orthopaedic services and such contributions to diagnose and manage inherent reliability.
- □ Ensures that orthopaedic forms are adequately annotated to assist such staff in providing optimal services.
- □ Prepares reports and relevant documentation when required.
- □ Ensures that all patients are treated in accordance with the Patient Charter Standards.
- □ Ensures that all case discharge summaries are promptly written by the House Officer or Medical Intern, and are accurate, relevant and concise, and must be countersigned.
- □ Keeps the Consultant informed of any difficulties that may arise in the management of any patient and seek such assistance.
- Supervises the clinical competencies of House Officers and Interns and advises the Consultant when required.
- □ Coaches and initiates knowledge sharing to House Officers and Interns assigned to the unit in collaboration with other Consultants.
- □ Guides, monitors and recommends to House Officers and Interns, appropriate management practices in patient care.
- Adheres to the professional code of conduct, Medico-legal principles and human resources policies and procedures of the Authority.
- □ Participates in teaching clinics, rounds and lectures.
- □ Performs related work as may be required by the appropriate Authority.

7. KEY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- □ Knowledge of Public Health Ordinances and of medical jurisprudence.
- □ Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of medicine including the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of preventative medicine.
- Some knowledge of administrative practices and procedures, rules, regulations policies and standards related to medical services.
- □ Sound clinical judgment in the field of Orthopaedics.
- □ Ability to coach and mentor junior medical staff.
- □ Ability to examine patients, diagnose disease and to prescribe and administer necessary treatment.
- Ability to gain the co-operation and confidence of patients and to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees and the public.

8. MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- □ Doctor of Medicine (D.M.) in the field of Orthopaedics or Membership of the Royal College of Surgeons (MRCS) as recognized by the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago or equivalent.
- □ Training as evidence by the possession of a Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Science Degree or its equivalent from a recognized University.
- Possession of specialist registration in the field of Orthopaedics from the Medical Board of Trinidad and Tobago.
- □ A minimum of at least five (5) years experience in the field of Orthopaedics.
- □ Any equivalent combination of experience and training.

9. SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

- House Officer
- Medical Intern
- Nursing Staff

10. COMMUNICATION AND WORKING RELATIONSHIP

Internal:

- □ Specialist Medical Officer (Orthopaedics)
- □ Other members of the Clinical Team
- Medical Director
- □ Manager-Hospital Administration
- □ Manager-Para Clinical Services
- □ Nursing Personnel
- Other Heads of Department

External:

- Public
- □ University of the West Indies
- □ Other Regional Health Authorities
- □ Private Medical Institutions
- General practitioners in the area