The Calgary West Central Primary Care Network (CWC PCN) is made up of over 300 primary care physicians, working in over 100 clinics. Many of these physicians work closely with PCN allied health professionals including behavioural health consultants, dieticians, nurses, pharmacists and social workers to collaborate on patient care with a focus on chronic disease management. In addition to physician-led care teams, the pillars of the CWC PCN include improved access, health promotion and sustainable comprehensive family practices.

NURSE CONSULTANT (GERIATRICS)

The Nurse Consultant provides comprehensive nursing services to the senior population in the CWC PCN family practice clinics. This position provides an advanced level of nursing practice that maximizes the application of in-depth nursing theory, knowledge and skills to meet the complex health care needs of individuals, families and communities. The Nurse Consultant functions as a nursing practice leader, expert practitioner and educator for the Geriatrics population. The balance among roles varies depending upon the needs of patients and nurses, as well as the care setting.

Key Responsibilities

Provides enhanced primary care services such as chronic disease management and mental health services within the context of geriatric care to elderly patients in a family practice environment.

Works in collaboration with family physicians and other members of the collaborative care team, or independently to assess and evaluate needs of patients, this may include home visits when necessary.

Performs and documents comprehensive history and in-depth assessment of the health status of elderly patients as well as initiating and implementing appropriate evaluation, follow up and modifications to care plans.

Employs expert consulting skills with nurses and other healthcare professionals in order to directly and indirectly influence patient care.

Qualifications

A Masters Degree in Nursing or a minimum of a Bachelors Degree in Nursing from an approved healthcare program, with an equivalent combination of training and experience in geriatrics is required. If not already obtained, must have a willingness to undertake the Canadian Nurses Association professional certification related to Geriatrics, GNC Certificate. Must have a valid driver’s license.

Demonstrated clinical skills in Primary Care Nursing, with continued professional development. Proven ability to build good working relationships with healthcare professionals, patients and other members of the community. Knowledge of and ability to use electronic medical records. Demonstrates ability to use equipment and supplies according to established standards and procedures.

At least five years nursing experience within gerontology, chronic disease management is preferred.

Promotes a healthy/safe practice environment, recognizes safety issues and reports appropriately, and participates in correction and prevention action plans.

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