



Health Sciences Centre

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Medicine

We Answer the Call: The many roles that nurse's play in a patient's health-care journey

Acute Medicine Bedside Nurse

Provides care to adult patients dealing with internal medicine diagnoses or chronic illness. Internal diseases can affect any body system, and these nurses must draw on their extensive nursing knowledge. They will rely on patient input and their assessment skills to determine symptoms and findings that will help direct treatment and patient education. They work collaboratively with the medical team, allied health and support staff to achieve best possible patient outcomes.

Acute Medicine Clinical Resource Nurse

Works with bedside nurses, the medical team, allied health and support staff to facilitate patient care for the entire ward. These nurses provide leadership and support that enables the healthcare team to address patient & family concerns while in-hospital, and they play an integral role with complex patient discharges. They lend guidance to novice nurses and help promote a team-based approach to problem solving. Their goal is to ensure the best possible outcomes for adult patients managing chronic illness.

VCOP Nurse

Works in partnership with physicians and administrative clerks to provide virtual health care to clients recovering from Covid-19. Often times, patients will require oxygen, but the Virtual Covid Outpatient Program (VCOP) enables these clients to recuperate at home rather than be admitted into hospital. The VCOP nurse uses technology to meet with these clients, perform assessments, monitor progress and offer education. When needed, the nurse can escalate care so that the client can quickly be seen by paramedics or emergency medical services.