

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Medical Imaging Assistant

Business Unit/Department: Medical Imaging

Division: Clinical Support and Specialists Clinics

Award/Agreement: Victorian Public Health Sector (Health and Allied Services,

Managers and Administrative Workers) Single Interest

Enterprise Agreement 2016-2020

Classification: HS1A

Reports To: Chief Radiographer & Deputy Chief Radiographer

Direct Reports: Nil

Date Prepared/Updated: 2021

Position Purpose

As a valued member of the Medical Imaging team, the Medical Imaging Assistant provides support to radiologists, radiographers, technologists, sonographers and nurses in the provision of Medical Imaging Services to ensure effective and patient centred Imaging services across Western Health Sites.

Business Unit Overview

Western Health Medical Imaging (WHMI) provides state of the art comprehensive Diagnostic and Interventional Radiology services to one of the most culturally dynamic and rapidly expanding growth corridors in Australia. WHMI currently performs approximately 200,000 Medical Imaging examinations per annum. WHMI is committed to excellence in clinical diagnosis and patient care. It draws on the medical expertise of a highly experienced and committed team of Consultant Radiologists and Medical Imaging professionals.

WHMI operates across 3 of the 4 Western Health campuses located at; Western Hospital Footscray, Sunshine Hospital (including Joan Kirner Women's and Children's) and the Williamstown Hospital. WHMI Medical Imaging services include Computer Tomography (CT), Fluoroscopy, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Nuclear Medicine, Mammography, Digital Subtraction Angiography (DSA), Ultrasound and Digital X-ray.

WHMI is an accredited member of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR) and hold DIAS accreditation with the National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA). It is a leading provider in education, training and research. WHMI provides Clinical consultation and support to our internal and external referrers and is committed to a focus on quality and dependability.

Our comprehensive digital imaging service and dedication to putting the needs of our patients first make WHMI one of the leading and fastest growing Medical Imaging services in Victoria.

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Key Responsibilities

- Demonstrate a commitment to the patient 'Charter of Healthcare Rights'.
- Comply with the expected standards of performance in the role as described by Role tasks.
- Hold accountability for own actions and seek guidance and support from appropriate employees when limited by own skills and experience.
- Comply with confidentiality obligations with regard to patients, consumers and colleagues.
- Comply with all Western Health policies and procedures.
- Ensure relationships with colleagues, patients and consumers are professional and ethical and that cultural differences are respected.
- Complete Western Health mandatory competencies yearly, including but not limited to Fire and emergency training, Manual Handling, Hand Hygiene and ANTT.
- Answer and respond to patient enquiries promptly, and ensure Western Health's Best Practice and Radiology CARES is followed.
- Operate within current scope of practice at all times
- Provide excellent patient communication by ensuring patients are kept informed of any delays to their scheduled appointment times.
- Complete yearly Professional Development Plan
- Report adverse events affecting patients, staff and others utilising Riskman (or equivalent) reporting system.
- Perform patient scheduling, prioritisation (in conjunction with Radiographers/NMT/Sonographer and Medical staff) and appointment confirmations, while maintaining communication board in clinical area
- Assist with facilitation of Imaging examinations by liaising between referrers/wards and designated senior radiographer/NMT/sonographers
- Knowledge of Western Health computer systems and applications relevant to position, use this knowledge to provide data entry support to MI team members
- Retrieve previous patient results and images from internal and external sources
- Perform patient transfers within Medical Imaging, or between Medical Imaging rooms and other areas, such as ED waiting rooms- utilise appropriate patent transport skills and equipment to do so
- Facilitate nurse escort with treating nurse or Nurse in charge where nursing escort is required
- Prepare examination rooms before each examination, ensure the patient environment is clean and tidy at all times and that dirty linen is placed in linen skips
- Assist with patient transfers onto Radiology equipment, utilising a basic knowledge of radiology equipment mechanisms and accessories, and patient attachments.
- Assist with patient immobilisation and/ or patient/ detector positioning as directed by on duty Radiographer/Sonographer/NMT
- Restocking of room supplies, including but not limited to; medical stock, linen, contrast
- Rubbish removal
- When requested Chaperone patients during intracavity Ultrasound examinations and as requested by patients and sonographers
- Transfer oxygen cylinders in support of Imaging areas to/from collection area and exchange as directed or needed
- Assist with collection and delivery of articles on behalf of Medical Imaging
- Ensure that all patient transport equipment i.e. beds, trolleys and wheelchairs are properly set up and secured and reset on return to Ward/Department

Be cognisant of Radiation Safety and associated work practices within a Medical Imaging Department, and apply the highest of safety standards at all times.

- Assist with cleaning duties, including but not limited to cleaning specialised equipment, such as
 Ultrasound transducers. MIA may be credentialed to record disinfection of Ultrasound transducers
 into WH tracking and monitoring system and work within MRI independent of supervision, and
 perform related documentation as per policy and procedure.
- Perform any additional duties as requested by the Senior and/or Chief Radiographer/ Sonographers.

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In addition to the key responsibilities specific to your role, you are required to deliver on the <u>Key Organisational Accountabilities</u> which are aligned with the Western Health strategic aims.

Key Working Relationships

Internal:

- · Director of Medical Imaging
- Chief Radiographer/ Chief Sonographer
- Radiologists
- Radiographers/NMT
- Sonographers
- Nursing Staff
- Referring Clinicians
- WHMI Quality Manager
- Radiation Safety Officers
- Marketing Liaison Officer
- PACS Administrators
- Administration Staff
- Internal Referring Clinicians

External:

- External Referring Clinicians
- External Organisations

Selection Criteria

Essential

- Hold a working with Children Check
- Hold a Police Check
- Demonstration of organisational skills, particularly with respect to time management
- Well-developed written and verbal communication skills
- Well-developed interpersonal skills
- Demonstrate an ability to practice collaboratively as part of a multidisciplinary health care team
- Use initiative in prioritising workload and delegating tasks
- Ability to work full rotating (24/7) roster with on-call duties as required.

Desirable

- Have a current IV cannulation certificate
- Certificate IV AHA

Additional Requirements

All employees are required to:

- Obtain a police / criminal history check prior to employment
- Obtain a working with children check prior to employment (if requested)
- Obtain an Immunisation Health Clearance prior to employment
- Report to management any criminal charges or convictions you receive during the course of your employment
- Comply with relevant Western Health clinical and administrative policies and guidelines.
- Comply with and accept responsibility for ensuring the implementation of health and safety policies and procedures

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- Fully co-operate with Western Health in any action it considers necessary to maintain a working environment, which is safe, and without risk to health
- Protect confidential information from unauthorised disclosure and not use, disclose or copy confidential information except for the purpose of and to the extent necessary to perform your employment duties at Western Health
- Be aware of and comply with relevant legislation: Public Administration Act 2004, Victorian Charter
 of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006, Work Health and Safety Act 2011, the Work Health
 and Safety Regulations 2011 (and 2012), the Victorian Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004,
 Fair Work Act 2009 (as amended), the Privacy Act 1988 and responsibilities under s141 Health
 Services Act with regard to the sharing of health information
- Be aware of and comply with the Code of Conduct for Victorian Public Sector Employees and other Western Health employment guidelines

General Information

- Redeployment to other services or sites within Western Health may be required
- Employment terms and conditions are provided according to relevant award/agreement
- Western Health is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to providing for its employees a work environment which is free of harassment or discrimination. The organisation promotes diversity and awareness in the workplace
- This position description is intended to describe the general nature and level of work that is to be
 performed by the person appointed to the role. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list of all
 responsibilities, duties and skills required. Western Health reserves the right to modify position
 descriptions as required. Employees will be consulted when this occurs
- Western Health is a smoke free environment

I confirm I have read the Position Description,	understand its content a	and agree to work i	n accordance with
the requirements of the position.		_	

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Employee's Signature:		Date:	Click here to enter a date.

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