



## **JOB TITLE**

### **Diagnostic Medical Sonographer**

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

A **Diagnostic Medical Sonographer** is a Diagnostic Ultrasound Professional that is qualified by professional credentialing and academic and clinical experience to provide diagnostic patient care services using ultrasound and related diagnostic procedures. The scope of practice of the Diagnostic Medical Sonographer includes those procedures, acts and processes permitted by law, for which the individual has received education and clinical experience, has demonstrated competency, and has completed the appropriate ARDMS certification(s) which is the standard of practice in ultrasound.

## **JOB SUMMARY**

- The Diagnostic Medical Sonographer is responsible for the independent operation of sonographic equipment, and for performing and communicating results of diagnostic examinations to physicians.
- The Diagnostic Medical Sonographer is responsible for daily operations using sonographic equipment, equipment maintenance, the report of equipment failures. The sonographer maintains a high standard of medical ethics at all times and is self-motivated to increase the level of understanding and knowledge of the field, disease, and new procedures as they evolve.
- Establishes and maintains ethical working relationships and good rapport with all interrelating hospitals, referral or commercial agencies.
- Performs other work-related duties as assigned.

## **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

- Uses independent judgment during the sonographic exam to accurately differentiate between normal and pathologic findings.
- Analyzes sonograms, synthesizes sonographic information and medical history, and communicates findings to the appropriate physician.

## **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

- The employee must be physically capable of carrying out all assigned duties:
- Emotional and physical health sufficient to meet the demands of the position.
- Strength sufficient to: lift some patients, move heavy equipment on wheels (up to approximately 500 lbs), and to move patients in wheelchairs and stretchers.
- Ability to maintain prolonged arm positions necessary for scanning.

## **RISK OF EXPOSURE TO BLOOD BORNE PATHOGENS**

Category I – Tasks involve exposure to blood, body fluids, or tissues.

## **SALARY/BENEFITS**

Salary will be commensurate with years of experience and number of patients scanned. Company benefits, including but not limited to, health insurance and paid vacation will be discussed with individual employees at the time of employment.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

### **Education**

Graduate of a formal Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program or that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) is required.  
Bachelor of Science degree in Diagnostic Medical Sonography is desirable.

**Required Licenses/Certifications**

- Active certification by American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (ARDMS) in Obstetrics and Gynecology.
- Nuchal Translucency and Nasal Bone Certification
- Current compliance with Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements for specialty(ies) as appropriate.

**Experience**

A minimum of 2-3 years experience is required.

**Demonstration of Skills and Abilities**

Ability to effectively operate sonographic equipment.

Ability to integrate diagnostic sonograms, laboratory results, patient history and medical records, and adapt sonographic examination as necessary.

Ability to use independent judgment to acquire the optimum diagnostic sonographic information in each examination performed.

Ability to evaluate, synthesize, and communicate diagnostic information to the attending physician.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public and health care team.

Ability to work efficiently and cope with emergency situations.

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