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## REGENT MERIT SYSTEM

<u>Class Title</u>: Patient Escort <u>Class Code</u>: 8231

Pay Grade: 403

#### **GENERAL CLASS DESCRIPTION:**

Under general supervision, meets, greets and assists ambulatory patients and visitors to and from University Hospitals.

#### **CHARACTERISTIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- 1. Welcomes and acknowledges all guests according to appropriate standards.
- 2. Provides inter-clinic and intra-hospital patient transport.
- 3. Anticipates and addresses guests' service needs; demonstrates superior customer service skills by identifying, fulfilling and exceeding the needs of guests. Recognizes and fulfills service recovery opportunities.
- 4. Displays excellent interpersonal communication skills; demonstrates enthusiasm and is self-motivated.
- 5. Demonstrates sympathetic and compassionate personality with overall positive attitude.
- 6. Exhibits commitment to learning and sharing information about services and general knowledge of clinic/unit locations.
- 7. Complies with patient confidentiality policies.
- 8. Adaptable to changes in scheduled hours.
- 9. Maintains a neat, clean and professional appearance at all times.
- 10. Functions well within a team and independently.
- 11. Partners with and assists others to promote an environment of teamwork and achievement of common goals, and embraces his/her role as care partner in the successful delivery of customer service.

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### **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:**

1. Strong customer service skills and willingness to serve the public.

- 2. Ability to use two-way radio and other communication device use.
- 3. Ability to perform with accuracy and efficiency during periods of pressure and stress.
- 4. Excellent verbal communication skills are required to effectively interact with patients, families, physicians, nursing staff, and other UIHC team members.
- Ability to recognize problems and exercise judgment required to accurately triage inquiries and follow-up on progress; ability to judge when to contact a supervisor if necessary.
- 6. Ability to perform basic computer skills and the ability to learn and maintain working knowledge of patient information systems.
- 7. Ability to identify patients and visitors who are in need of guest services.
- 8. Ability to establish and maintain friendly and cooperative relations with employees, patients, and visitors.
- 9. Ability to function with understanding, empathy and professionalism when interacting with patients, family members and visitors who may be undergoing physical and emotional stress.
- 10. Ability to work independently and interdependently.
- 11. Ability to understand of basic floor plan of the University Hospitals and Clinics and location of various units.
- 12. Knowledge of emergency evacuation procedures.
- 13. Ability to perform a full range of body motion including: lifting and/or bearing the weight of 100 pounds or more while pulling, lifting, pushing and transferring patients to and from various apparatuses; regularly pushing moderate to heavy weight of 100 pounds or more and occasionally in excess of 250 pounds; standing and walking for extended periods of time.
- 14. Ability to perform duties outdoors while possibly subjected to inclement weather.

#### **MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

Ability to read, write and follow instructions.