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Situation

Goal to bring awareness to telemetry nurses the specialty certifications they are eligible for and criteria for eligibility.

Currently six telemetry nurses hold a nationally recognized certification.

Why Become Certified

- As healthcare becomes increasingly complex and challenging, the value of certification as a mark of excellence is more important than ever.
- Achieving board certification demonstrates to patients, employers and the public that a nurse's knowledge reflects national standards and a deep commitment to patient safety. (AACN)

Action Plan

- March 19, 2023, was Certified Nurses Day and was the kickoff for the start of encouragement for telemetry nurses to be certified.
- Each telemetry nurse was delivered a card and lifesaver candy inviting them to consider a nationally recognized certification.
- A certification informational packet promoting CV-BC and PCCN certification was placed at each desk and referenced during huddle for one week.
- Certification preparation books are available upon request.

Implementation

Certification Card



As a Heart Center Telemetry nurse, you may qualify to become a certified nurse!

Cardiac-Vascular Nurse Board Certified RN(CV-BC) through American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

www.nursingworld.org

Progressive Care Certified Nurse (PCCN) through American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN)

www.aacn.org

St. Cloud Hospital believes in creating environments promoting professional learning, growth, and development to staff as an important step in achieving the mission, ensuring high quality care, and enhanced patient safety.

View National Certification policy through PolicyStat for details on reimbursement qualifications.

Sincerely, Kirsten Skillings Janelle Maciej



Certification Packet





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Response

- Conversations were started regarding reasons to become certified.
- Telemetry nurses asked about certification eligibility.
- Telemetry nurses stated they liked the side-byside comparison of the Cardiac-Vascular Board Certification (CV-BC) and Progressive Care Certified Nurse (PCCN).
- Nurses understood each certification required 2 years of experience.
- Nurses understood the difference in the worked hours requirements(AACN is 2,000 hours and PCCN 1,750 hours).

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