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# Example of Patient Sitter Job Description

Our growing company is searching for experienced candidates for the position of patient sitter. Please review the list of responsibilities and qualifications. While this is our ideal list, we will consider candidates that do not necessarily have all of the qualifications, but have sufficient experience and talent.

## Responsibilities for patient sitter

* Conveys attitudes of compassion, empathy, and understanding
* Does not discuss any information related to patient’s medical condition or plan of care
* Seeks guidance and direction when unsure
* Informs nurse immediately if patient expresses desire t harm self/others or wants to leave the hospital
* Provides report to relief patient sitter and to nurse prior to leaving at shift end
* Provides only constant observation
* Does not make personal phone calls, eat food in the room, or sleep
* Allows patient control of television (channel, volume)
* Does not use any items or personal electronics (iPod, iPad, game boy, ) or anything that can distract attention from patient
* Does not leave patient(s) until relief patient sitter has arrived and is in the patient room

## Qualifications for patient sitter

* Understand and follow CCMC policies and procedures
* Excellent interpersonal skills and communication required
* Demonstration of effective listening skills
* Demonstrates competency in standard clinical procedures unit specific patient management protocols
* 6 months expereince in acute care setting (preferred)
* Patient Care/C.N.A