Improve Operating Room Practice in Obstetrics Departments

“To help ensure quality care in the L&D OR suite, education must be comparable to that of the main OR. Encouraging nurses who circulate in the L&D OR suite to participate in the Periop 101 curriculum is one step in the right direction.”

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Provide a Curriculum Comparable to That of Perioperative Nurses in the OR Department

Health systems are quickly recognizing that the labor and delivery suite is actually an operating room. This has escalated the need for the same perioperative education for OB RN circulators comparable to that of perioperative nurses in the OR department. To meet this need, implement the AORN Periop 101: A Core Curriculum™ – OB RN Circulator. This program is intended to provide education for the OB RN circulator who is caring for the obstetric patient in the OB surgical suite. This curriculum is the gold standard for preparing nurses to function competently in the OR. The program’s rigorous review process ensures it is always compliant with the most current AORN Perioperative Standards, Recommended Practices, and Guidelines. When perioperative nurses learn the “hows” and the “whys” of Perioperative Nursing, they understand the rationale of their field and unlock better performance.

AORN Periop 101: A Core Curriculum™ – For OB Nurses incorporates clinical skills checklists and assessment activities.

Impact

Improve Staff Retention
- Enhance Knowledge, Skills, and Confidence
- Implement Evidence-Based Programs
- Maximize Team Performance

Improve Education Efficiency & Costs
- Save Time On Program Development
- Reduce Maintenance Costs
FEATURES:
- Twenty-two critical and engaging modules (33.6 CNE credits*)
- A facilitator course (3 contact hours)
- A preceptor course (2.7 contact hours)
- Printable transcript and reference materials
- Includes overviews, reading assignments, glossaries, bibliographies, post-tests, and critical skills assessment checklist
- Complimentary one year AORN membership to each R.N. student after passing the exam

INITIATIVES AND GOALS SUPPORTED:
- Reducing risk in the Obstetrics department
- Demonstrating Commitment to Improving Perioperative Care
- Clinical Settings Utilizing a Standardized, Perioperative Nurse Training for OB RN Circulators
- Nursing Education

RECOMMENDED FOR:
- OB Residents
- OB Interns
- Labor & Delivery Nurses
- Nurse Midwives
- Risk Management

COURSEWARE CONTENT:
- Introduction to Perioperative Nursing
- The Surgical Environment
- Professionalism
- Perioperative Assessment
- Documentation
- Aseptic Technique
- Environmental Sanitation & Terminal Cleaning
- Sterilization & Disinfection
- Safety in the Surgical Suite
- Anesthesia
- Medications and Solutions
- Positioning the OB Surgical Patient
- Preoperative Skin Antisepsis
- Scrubbing, Gowning and Gloving
- Surgical Draping
- Surgical Instruments
- Safe Use of Surgical Energy
- Hemostasis, Sponges & Drains
- Wound Closure and Healing
- Specimens
- Perianesthesia Nursing
- Critical Thinking

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