

Orthopedic Nurse Job Description

- Work with doctors to perform treatments on patients with musculoskeletal conditions.
- Monitor the patient's health and general body condition and report changes and improvements to the doctor.
- Take pain prescriptions from the doctors and administer same to the patients.
- Prepare a pain management schedule for patients based on doctor's prescriptions to prevent patients suffering from pain.
- Monitor and quickly attend to any signs of negative reactions to drugs and allergies.
- Educate patients on steps to take to manage pain and how to avoid post-surgical infections.
- Manage patient's hygiene by assisting with bed pan changes, body cleaning and diaper changes in some cases.
- Help injured athletes manage and treat pain and get better after injury. Sometimes, orthopedic nurses may also assist with training of athletes that are just recovering from an injury.
- Assist orthopedic doctors in performing their duties.
- Perform wound dressing on patients with infections.
- Monitor vital signs of patients.
- Help form support groups for patients.
- Help patients improve mobility and functionality by helping them to redesign their personal spaces and recommending gadgets and furniture that help to support the bone structure and promote healing.