

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Surgical/Telemetry



## Patient Population

- Total Joint replacements  
Hips/Knee/Shoulders
- Laparoscopic procedures
- Spinal Surgeries
- Fractures
- Small bowel obstructions
- Medical overflow
- DM
- HTN
- Wound care



## Patient Length of Stay

- 2-4 Days



## Team Attributes

- Team work
- Effective communication
- Positive attitudes & accountability



## Duties

- Attention to Detail for Post-Op Monitoring
- Traction, Trapeze, Neck/Knee/Hand/Shoulder Immobilizers, Braces, Casts, Planks, Hoyer lift
- NG Tubes, PEG Tubes & Feedings
- Continuous Bladder irrigation, Suprapubic catheters



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:5-6

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Intermediate Care Unit/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- ICU step down patients
- Hepatobiliary surgery
- Thoracic surgery
- Cardiac drips
- Vented patients



## Team Attributes

- Effective communication
- Adaptability & flexibility
- Respect & trust
- Team players
- Awareness & inclusion of different perspectives



## Patient Length of Stay

- Average 6 Days



## Duties

- Monitoring vital signs
- Management of vasoactive
- Cardiac drips.



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:3-4

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Neuro/Pulmonary/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- Hemorrhagic & Ischemic Strokes



## Team Attributes

- Team player
- Learning oriented
- Patience



## Patient Length of Stay

- Varies



## Duties

- Stroke rule-out
- Neuro assessments
- NIH stroke scale



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:5-6

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Emergency Department



## Patient Population

- All ages and diagnoses including Level III Trauma, Stroke, STEMI, etc.
- Level III Trauma Center
- Comprehensive Stroke Center
- Primary Chest Pain Center
- Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Program



## Patient Length of Stay

- 3-4 Hours



## Team Attributes

- Fun
- Resilient and love the daily adrenaline rush
- Caring for a diverse group of patients.



## Duties

- Intake and triage of patients upon arrival.
- Monitor vital signs focused assessments on all patients
- Manage critical Intravenous drips
- Initiation & management of patients on ventilators



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- Acuity based staffing ratios

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Surgical Services



## Patient Population

- Neonatal to elderly
- Scheduled surgeries
- Trauma surgeries.



## Team Attributes

- Resourceful
- Team-oriented



## Duties

- Multiple types of surgeries and equipment.
- Assist anesthesia.
- Prevent surgical errors (positioning, meds, specimens, infection)



## Patient Length of Stay

- Less than 8 hours



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:1

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Medical/ Cardiac/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- Cardiology patients
- Pacemakers
- Cardiac catheterization,
- Chest pain
- Overflow of all medical surgical patients.



## Patient Length of Stay

- 4 Days



## Team Attributes

- Collaborative Spirit
- Open Communication
- Commitment to Excellence



## Duties

- Monitoring vital signs, management of cardiac drips.
- NG Tubes, PEG Tubes & Feedings
- Continuous Bladder irrigation
- Suprapubic catheters



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:5-6

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Renal/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- Nephrology
- End-Stage Renal Disease
- Volume overload
- Dialysis fistulas



## Patient Length of Stay

- Average 4.5 Days



## Team Attributes

- Teamwork
- Effective communication
- Positive attitudes
- Accountability



## Duties

- Continuous Bladder irrigation,
- ESRD
- Hemodialysis
- Peritoneal dialysis



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:5-6

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center

## Labor & Delivery



### Patient Population

- Pregnant patients who present to deliver their baby or with other obstetric complications
- Antepartum patients who need to remain hospitalized for extended close care
- High risk postpartum patients



### Patient Length of Stay

- Antepartum patients may stay as long as 17 weeks
- Labor patients typical stay is 1-4 days



### Team Attributes

- Team players
- Great communication
- Engaged
- Reliable
- Active unit-based council



### Duties

- Reading & interpreting fetal heart rate
- Promoting physiologic birth
- Circulating c-sections
- Attending vaginal deliveries
- Responding & treating various OB emergencies



### Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:2 Labor patients
- 1:4-5 antepartum



# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Intensive Care/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- Critically ill patients with Level III trauma
- Open heart (CABG)
- Impella
- IABP
- CRRT



## Patient Length of Stay

- Average 3-7 Days



## Team Attributes

- Healthy work environment
- Culture of Safety
- Active unit-based council with decision making authority



## Duties

- Monitoring vital signs
- Management of vasoactive
- Cardiac drips.
- Management of patients on ventilators and other equipment providing life support.
- Respond to medical emergencies



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:2-3 Acuity based

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Post-Partum & Nursery



## Patient Population

- Postpartum mothers & babies
- Occasionally gyn. patients



## Team Attributes

- Caring
- Great with educating patients
- Patient multitaskers



## Duties

- Patient education
- Medication administration
- Monitoring vital signs of mothers & babies
- Preparing parents to take their newborn home
- Car seat tests
- PKU screenings



## Patient Length of Stay

- 2 to 3 Days



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:3-4 couplets (mothers & babies)
- 1:2 (Nursery)

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Clinical Decision Unit/ Telemetry



## Patient Population

- **Observation patients**



## Patient Length of Stay

- **Average 2.19 Days**



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- **1:5-6**



## Team Attributes

- **Family feel**
- **Congruently works together**
- **Cares for on another even outside of work**



## Duties

- **Patient education,**
- **Medication administration**
- **Monitoring vital signs**
- **IV & Phlebotomy skills**
- **focused assessments on all patients**

# Methodist Southwest Medical Center Oncology



## Patient Population

- Oncology
- Day Med



## Team Attributes

- Encourages feedback & ideas
- Goal setting for the unit
- Upholding high-performance standards.



## Patient Length of Stay

- Med day: 3-6 hours
- Inpatient: Ranges from 17-90 days



## Duties

- Mediport access, Chemotherapy, IV & Phlebotomy skills
- Patient education
- Medication administration
- Monitoring vital signs



## Nurse-to-Patient Ratio

- 1:4-5