**Section 250.1220 Surgery Staff**

a) A current roster of physicians, dentists, and podiatrists shall be maintained in the surgical suite and be available to the surgical nursing and medical staff.

b) The supervisory nurse of direct patient care shall be a registered professional nurse, knowledgeable in invasive and diagnostic as well as operating room procedures.

c) *A registered nurse, qualified by training and experience in operating room nursing, shall be present in the operating room and function as the circulating nurse during all invasive or operative procedures.* As used in this subsection, *"circulating nurse" means a registered nurse who is responsible for coordinating all nursing care, patient safety needs, and the needs of the surgical team in the operating room during an invasive or operative procedure.* (Section 10.7(2.5) of the Act)

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