Outpatient APP

Purpose:

To replace the outpatient APP for the adult sickle cell program. This position will provide ambulatory clinic service as an advanced provider.

· A minimum of 6 half-day clinic sessions (FTE) in accordance with VCU Access standard

· Have a 240 minute per session template with an average of at least 192 clinical minutes scheduled per session

· Meeting or exceeding pre-specified wRVU target NO, but growth annually toward 2846 RVUs annually

Previous experience in this specialty required? No

Position FTE (e.g., 1.0, 0.8, etc.): 0.75

Scope of Responsibilities (must add up to 100%):

· 100 % ambulatory. This position will work with outpatient sickle cell patients in AOP13 at least 6 half days per week.

The Adult Sickle Cell Medical Home is saving dollars for the institution and prevention unnecessary hospital care. Since the inception of the medical home in 2018 and through year 2019, the Medical Home has saved $2.4 Million dollars in avoided costs, mostly through avoided hospital days.

· Conduct expert specialty practice within the Adult Sickle Cell Medical Home. Substantial domain knowledge and skill are required for this replacement APP, which is critical to the stability of the Adult Sickle Cell Medical Home. Substantial domain knowledge and skill are required to become a sickle cell expert. Within the Adult Sickle Cell Medical Home, APP sickle cell experts must:

1) conduct outpatient case management

2) write prescription refills and troubleshoot refill issues

3) conduct in-person and telephone visits

4) order critical laboratory tests

5) arrange specialty transfusions including erythrocytapheresis for sickle cell stroke prevention and sickle cell acute chest syndrome

6) interpret specialty laboratory results including sickle cell diagnostic results (hemoglobin electrophoreses)

7) make specialty referrals

8) clear sickle cell patients for surgery and dental procedures

9) assess pain (acute and chronic)

10) monitor and prescribe high-dose or chronic opioids for pain

11) assess patients, counsel patients, and make appeals to break barriers to access and obtain access to sickle specialty drugs including Hydroxyurea, Endari, Oxbryta, Adakveo, Jadenu, Rituximab, Epogen, and Aranesp

12) provide judgments of prognosis and sickle cell disease stage

13) counsel patients about hematopoietic stem cell transplantation and gene therapy

14) participate in a 24/7/365 on-call provider schedule, fielding calls from outside providers, patients, and institutions about VCU adult sickle cell patients and

15) staff daily case management huddles, and solve medication problems before they result in unnecessary ED visits.