



**Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist  
Delineation of Privileges**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Initial privileges (initial appointment)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal of privileges (*reappointment, on 2 year specialty cycles*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Modification of privileges (*request for any additional privileges beyond those previously granted*)

**Basic Education: CRNA**

**Minimal formal training:** Graduation from an approved program of anesthesia accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs or a predecessor or successor agency, Certification by the National Board on Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists or by a predecessor or successor agency to either [or be actively seeking certification within 5 years of training completion]. Current active license to practice as an advanced nurse practitioner in the nurse anesthetist category in the state of Tennessee.

**Required current experience:** Demonstrated current competence and evidence of the provision of anesthesia services with at least 100 patients in the past 12 months or completion of an accredited program of anesthesia in the past 12 months. A new graduate may supply case logs to demonstrate competency. If logs are NOT available, a new graduate must be proctored on five (5) cases of American Society of Anesthesiologists Class III patients.

**Supervision Requirements:** CRNAs must be employed by or in an agreement with an Anesthesiologist currently a member, in good standing, of the Medical Staff of Erlanger and must have a valid agreement for oversight by said anesthesiologist. The supervising anesthesiologist assumes responsibility of monitoring the CRNA's practice within Erlanger and is available to provide consultation and/or intervention when needed. Supervising anesthesiologist(s) will be responsible for cosigning all orders entered in to the medical record by the CRNA within 48 hours where applicable.

Current BLS, ACLS, and PALS certification required.

| <b>Facility (Check ALL that are applicable to your request)</b> |              |       |      |                    |
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| Baroness*                                                       | Children's** | North | East | Bledsoe/Sequatchie |
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\* Includes BEH Main Hospital, Miller Eye Center, Plaza Surgery and all Erlanger Ambulatory Clinics

\*\*Includes Children's Hospital Inpatient, Children's Ambulatory clinics, Children's OR and Kennedy Children's Outpatient Center

## **Core CRNA Privileges:**

Administration of specific types of anesthesia for assigned cases [under supervision] pre-anesthesia evaluation and preparation, administration of general and regional anesthesia and all levels of sedation techniques, and post-anesthesia care for children, adolescent, and adult patients. Certified registered nurse anesthetists may provide care to patients in the intensive care setting in conformance with hospital policies, as well as assess, stabilize, and determine disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services.

Pre-anesthetic preparation and evaluation:

- Select, obtain, order, and administer pre-anesthetic medications
- Conduct an appropriate physical screening assessment
- Obtain an appropriate health history
- Recommend or request and evaluate pertinent diagnostic studies

Document the pre-anesthetic evaluation and obtain a comprehensive informed consent for anesthesia and related services

Clinical support functions:

- Insert and manage peripheral and central intravenous catheters
- Insert arterial catheters and punctures for blood samples and arterial line monitoring
- Insert and manage central intravenous catheters
- Manage interventional pain therapy utilizing drugs, regional anesthetic techniques, or other accepted pain relief modalities
- Perform arterial puncture to obtain arterial blood samples
- Provide consultation and implementation of respiratory and ventilatory care

Select, obtain, order, and administer pre-anesthetic medication or treatment related to the care of the patient and seek consultation when appropriate

Intraoperative care:

- Select, obtain, or administer the anesthetics, adjuvant drugs, accessory drugs, fluids, and blood products necessary to manage the anesthetic
- Evaluate patient response during emergence from anesthesia and institute pharmacological or supportive treatment to ensure patient stability during transfer
- Obtain, prepare, and use all equipment, monitors, supplies, and drugs used for the administration of anesthesia and sedation techniques and perform and order safety checks as needed
- Perform all aspects of airway management, including fiberoptic intubation

Perform and manage regional anesthetic techniques, including, but not limited to subarachnoid, epidural, and caudal blocks; plexus, major, and peripheral nerve blocks; intravenous regional anesthesia; transtracheal, topical, and local infiltration blocks; intracapsular, intercostal, and ocular blocks

Provide appropriate invasive and noninvasive monitoring modalities utilizing current standards and techniques  
 Recognize abnormal patient response during anesthesia, select and implement corrective action, and request consultation whenever necessary

Recommend or request and evaluate pertinent diagnostic studies

Post-anesthesia care:

- Manage emergence of patient from anesthesia and perform removal of airway device
- Discharge patient from a post-anesthesia care area in accordance with policy
- Initiate and administer pharmacological or fluid support of the cardiovascular system
- Initiate acute post-anesthesia pain management techniques
- Initiate and administer respiratory support to ensure adequate ventilation and oxygenation in the post-anesthesia period

Provide post-anesthesia follow-up; evaluate the patient's response to anesthesia and surgery, take appropriate corrective actions, and obtain consultation as indicated

Manage emergency situations, including initiating or participating in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (ACLS required)

Perform all aspects of airway management, to include fiberoptic intubation, excluding tracheostomy

**Special Non-Core Privileges for CRNA:** If desired, noncore privileges are requested individually in addition to requesting the core. Each individual requesting noncore privileges must meet the criteria governing the exercise of the privilege requested, including training, required previous experience, and maintenance of clinical competence. Non-core privileges include:

| <i>Procedure</i>                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>Baroness</i> | <i>Children's</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>Bledsoe/Sequatchie</i> |
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| Perform diagnostic and therapeutic injections (includes epidural, caudal, spinal, facet joint, selective nerve, and sympathetic blocks) with direct supervision                                      |                 |                   |              |             |                           |
| Perform diagnostic and therapeutic injections (includes epidural, caudal, spinal, facet joint, selective nerve, and sympathetic blocks) without direct supervision                                   |                 |                   |              |             |                           |
| Perform fluoroscopy <b>with</b> direct supervision                                                                                                                                                   |                 |                   |              |             |                           |
| Perform fluoroscopy <b>without</b> direct supervision                                                                                                                                                |                 |                   |              |             |                           |
| Perform diagnostic and therapeutic injections (includes epidural, caudal, spinal, facet joint, selective nerve, and sympathetic blocks) with direct supervision <b>without</b> fluoroscopic guidance |                 |                   |              |             |                           |
| Perform diagnostic and therapeutic                                                                                                                                                                   |                 |                   |              |             |                           |

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| injections (includes epidural, caudal, spinal, facet joint, selective nerve, and sympathetic blocks) <b>with</b> direct supervision with fluoroscopic guidance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Placement of Swan-Ganz/pulmonary arterial catheters <b>with direct supervision.</b>                                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |

**Request for Privilege Not Listed in Core or Special Non-Core** *(please list the privilege and provide justification as well as any accompanying certifications or case logs)*

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**Department Chief Recommendation:**

I have reviewed the requested clinical privileges and supportive documentation for the above named applicant.

- Recommended as Requested
- Recommended with Modifications (See comments below)
- Not Recommended (See comments below)

Chief Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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 Provider Signature

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 Date

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 Chief Signature

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 Date