

FLIGHT NURSE
(Multiple Traditional Positions)

AFSC X46FX

*******CLOSEOUT DATE: INDEFINITE***

AUTHORIZED GRADE: MAJOR (0-4)

Location: 142nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, New Castle County Airport, New Castle, DE.

Position is open to commissioned officers (Major and below) and personnel seeking a commissioning opportunity in the Delaware Air National Guard, who meet the identified Specialty Qualifications and can be processed and appointed prior to 47 YEARS OF AGE.

SPECIALTY SUMMARY:

- Provides professional nursing care within scope of practice, established standards of care and federal/state law. Provides comprehensive nursing care for patients during aeromedical evacuation (AE) flights. Coordinates with and makes recommendations to staff agencies concerning AE policies, plans and programs. Supports research activities.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Member of the AE crew. Functions as the senior medical member of the AE team during CONUS, intra-theater, and inter-theater flights. Collaborates with appropriate agencies and personnel concerned with conduct of the mission.
- Plans and prepares for AE missions. Coordinates with the operational aircrew and mission pre-planning. Prepares patient positioning plan to facilitate patient enplaning, nursing care, comfort, and safety. Evaluates individual patient's in-flight needs and requests appropriate medications, supplies, and equipment. Supervises enplaning and securing of patients. Prepares and maintains plan for patient evacuation from aircraft in case of an aircraft emergency.
- Plans and provides in-flight patient care. Provides continuing nursing care from originating to destination facilities. Monitors and evaluates patient condition and reactions to stresses of flight and initiates appropriate interventions as needed. Maintains and annotates in-flight patient records. Acts as liaison between medical and operational aircrews and support personnel in order to promote patient safety and comfort and to accomplish the mission. Maintains and completes data on forms relative to the mission. Supervises deplaning of patients and off-loading of patient baggage, supplies, and

equipment. Briefs medical personnel at receiving medical facility on continuing nursing care and requirements. Accompanies patient to receiving medical facility when appropriate.

- Provides emergency care. Initiates emergency interventions for in-flight medical emergencies. Provides emergency care to patients in the event of an aircraft emergency, wheels-up landing, ditching, rapid decompression, or fuselage fire.
- Participates in nursing service administration activities. Participates in the instruction and evaluation of in-flight nursing care routines and practices.

SPECIALITY QUALIFICATIONS:

- Meet requirements for professional licensure as defined in AFI 44-119, Medical Quality Operations, para 4.1.1.
- For entry into this specialty, physical qualification for flying duty according to AFI 48-123, Medical Examinations and Standards, Class III medical standards, is mandatory.

EDUCATION:

- Must be a graduate of an associate degree, diploma or baccalaureate degree program in nursing which is accredited by a nationally recognized nursing accrediting agency. Effective 1 October 2000, registered nurse applicants must possess a baccalaureate degree in nursing (nationally accredited BSN program) or a health related field

TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

- For award of AFSC 46F1, completion of a Flight Nurse Course acceptable to the AF/SG, is mandatory.
- For award of AFSC 46F3, completion of upgrade/qualification training, aircrew certification and completion of Readiness Skills Verification Program requirements as defined in AFI 41-106, *Unit Level Management of Medical Readiness Programs*.

Application Procedures:

The following mandatory items must be included in the application package:

- *Resume*
- *Record Review RIP*
- *Consolidated Certified Transcript from University / College*
- *Proof of a passing Physical Fitness Test*

Application packages must be forwarded to:

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