## Physical and Technical Standards for the Anesthesiologist Assistant Student

The Master of Science in Anesthesia Program at Medical College of Wisconsin is pledged to the admission and matriculation of qualified students and wishes to acknowledge awareness of laws which prohibit discrimination against anyone on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex or qualified disability. Regarding those students with verifiable disabilities, the College will not discriminate against such individuals who are otherwise qualified, but will expect applicants and students to meet certain minimal technical standards (core

- 4. Adequate physical stamina and energy to carry out taxing duties over long periods of up to 24 hours of continuous duty
- 5. Adequate motor function to stand and walk for prolonged periods
- 6. Ability to, on occasion run to

- facility, and moving patients to and from critical care units which may be distant from the OR).
- 5. Reaching to a height of 6-7 feet (e.g. to place intravenous fluid bags on IV poles) Kneeling, bending, stooping, and crouching (e.g. to check lines below the level of the operating room table).
- 6. Reading patient monitors from a distance of 6-8 feet.
- 7. Hearing and understanding spoken requests and being able to detect and discriminate patient monitor alarms.
- 8. Hearing adequately enough to assess the lung and heart sounds of patients.
- 9. Comprehending, and speaking English fluently (including medical terminology).
- 10. Responding to cardiac arrests and urgent calls in a timely fashion (e.g. running or walking quickly to any floor in the hospital, at times without the aid of the elevators, if that would cause an undue delay.)
- 11. Assuming unusual positions while caring for patients on the wards and in the ICU (e.g. lying on the floor to intubate patients who have experienced cardiac arrest, leaning over equipment at the head of the patient beds to intubate patients or place central lines)
- 12. Reporting to work promptly, and maintaining a high level of personal hygiene.
- 13. Responding to all pager or telephone calls promptly during a period of duty.

Refraining from the use of alcohol, sedatives and narcotics within 8 hours of reporting to work and throughout the clinical shift: there is no tolerance for violation of this last requirement.

## Acknowledgement of Receipt and Understanding

I have read and understand the physical and technical standards for Anesthesiologist Assistant students outlined above.

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