

Attestation Form

KVH Staffing Committee April 2023 Semi-Annual Review

I, the undersigned with responsibility for Klickitat Valley Health, attest that the attached staffing plan and matrix was developed in accordance with RCW 70.41.420. This plan comprises KVH's semi-annual review and includes changes from our previously submitted 2022-2023 staffing plan. This plan includes all units covered under our hospital license under RCW 70.41. This plan was developed with consideration given to the following elements:

| \checkmark | Census, including total numbers of patients on the unit on each shift and activity such as patient discharges, admissions, and transfers; |
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| ~ | Level of intensity of all patients and nature of the care to be delivered on each shift; |
| \checkmark | Skill mix; |
| \checkmark | Level of experience and specialty certification or training of nursing personnel providing |
| | care; |
| V | The need for specialized or intensive equipment; |
| \checkmark | The architecture and geography of the patient care unit, including but not limited to |
| | placement of patient rooms, treatment areas, nursing stations, medication preparation |
| | areas, and equipment; |
| \checkmark | Staffing guidelines adopted or published by national nursing professional associations; |
| | specialty nursing organizations, and other health professional organizations; |
| \checkmark | Availability of other personnel supporting nursing services on the unit; and |
| \checkmark | Strategies to enable registered nursing to take meal and rest breaks as required by law |
| | or the terms of an applicable collective bargaining agreement, if any, between the |
| | hospital and a representative of the nursing staff. |

Signature & Title

Printed Name

Date

At Klickitat Valley Health, our foremost objective is to offer exceptional service to our community. To achieve this goal, we prioritize having a well-trained clinical staff that can provide high-quality and cost-effective care. Additionally, we are dedicated to providing an excellent work environment for our employees, which includes having a sufficient number of knowledgeable and skilled staff members.

As for nursing care, we strongly believe that it should be flexible and tailored to meet the unique needs of our patients. To ensure that we are meeting the best practices, we look to professional nursing organizations for guidance on staffing standards. We also strive to stay up-to-date with the latest changes and advancements in the healthcare industry, and we continually evaluate and adjust our policies and practices to provide the best possible care to our patients.

This semi-annual plan was developed and approved by the following KVH Nurse Staffing Committee Members:

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Emergency Department

| Day Shift, Monday - Sunday | | | Night Shift, Monday - Sunday | | |
|----------------------------|---|-----------|------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| RNs | 2 | 0700-1930 | RNs | 1 or 2* | 1900-0730 |
| Technician | 1 | 0700-1930 | Technician | 0 or 1* | 1900-0730 |
| House Supervisor | 0 | | House Supervisor | 1* | 1900-0730 |
| Provider | 1 | 24/7 | Provider | 1 | 24/7 |

^{*}KVH is moving to a night-shift RN House Supervisor model with the ultimate vision of staffing the ED with 1 RN and 1 ED Technician overnight who have the support of the RN House Supervisor. This model aligns with the Emergency Nurses Association's recommendation of staffing 2 RNs in the Emergency Department with the House Supervisor acting as the second RN. The ED is supported at all times by an on-call nurse anesthetist. Further, this model provides night shift with an additional FTE of the ED Technician.

While recruitment and orientation of the House Supervisor and night-shift ED Technician roles is underway, there will likely be nights where 2 RNs and a RN House Supervisor are staffed. Additional combinations of staffing could include: 2 RNs, 1 ED Technician, 0 House Supervisor as well as our current model of 2 RNs, 0 ED Technicians & 0 House Supervisors.

Medical/Surgical Unit

| Day Shift, Monday - Sunday | | | Night Shift, Monday - Sunday | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------|------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| RNs | 1 or 2 | 0700-1930 | RNs | 1 or 2 | 1900-0730 |
| LPN | 0 or 1 | 0700-1930 | LPN | 0 or 1 | 1900-0730 |
| CNA | 1 | 0700-1930 | CNA | 1 | 0700-1930 |
| Unit Clerk | 1 | 0800-1830 | House Supervisor | 1 | 1900-0730 |
| UR Coordinator (M-F) | 1 | 0800-1630 | | | |
| Outpatient Infusion RN (M-Th) | 1 | 0800-1630 | | | |
| Provider | 1 | 24/7 | Provider | 1 | 24/7 |

Surgical Services

| Day Shift, Monday - Thursday | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------|--|
| Perioperative RNs | 3 | 0700-1530 | |
| Clinic RN | 1 | 0800-1730 | |
| Surgical Technician | 1 | 0700-1530 | |
| Clinic Medical Assistants | 2 | 0800-1730 | |
| Sterile Processing Technician | 1 | 0700-1530 | |
| OR Aid/Environmental Services Tech. | 1 | 0700-1530 | |
| Unit Clerk | 1 | 0800-1730 | |
| CRNA | 1 | 24/7 | |
| Providers | 3 | Variable | |

Hospice & Palliative Care

| Day Shift, Monday - Friday | | | Night Shift, Monday - Sunday On-Call | | |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-----------|
| RNs | 2 | 0800-1700 | RNs | 1 | 1700-0800 |
| CNA | 1 | 0800-1700 | | | |
| LMSW | 1 | 20 hours weekly | | | |
| Chaplain | 1 | 20 hours weekly | | | |

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