



SURGICAL ASSIST



## A Second Pair of Expert Hands

Using SpecialtyCare® Surgical Assist to provide your surgeons with highly skilled support during complex and specialized procedures can improve patient outcomes, prevent downtime, increase efficiency, and promote surgeon satisfaction. We handle the recruiting, insuring, and credentialing of the experts you need in your operating room. In the end, both you and your patients benefit from having great talent by your side.

SpecialtyCare's surgical assistants provide more than high-quality clinical skills to ensure the best patient outcomes—we instill confidence by providing surgeons with reliable, assured support when it matters most. As integrated members of your team, we learn to anticipate your needs, follow your norms, and adhere to your processes. And, like you, we value efficiency, so we work with both speed and accuracy to keep your OR on schedule because we know that operational goals are important, too.

We provide more than a second pair of expert hands, but always with a patient-first focus, so that your surgical team can be certain they have the best partner for clinical excellence, always.



## HELPING YOU BUILD AN OPERATING ROOM OF EXCELLENCE

At SpecialtyCare, we understand that the OR plays a vital role in the overall success of a hospital, and that each member of the OR team is accountable for that success. That's why we hire and place only the most talented surgical assistants and take an evidence-based approach to clinical quality and operational efficiency. Our goal is to help you achieve your goals—clinical, operational, and financial—by working with you to build an operating room of excellence.

### EXPECT EXPERIENCE

Due to the complexity of surgery today—and the technology, equipment, and instruments required to safely and accurately perform them—experience counts. SpecialtyCare's physician assistants, registered nurse first assistants, and certified surgical assistants have the expertise to provide highly valued support to surgeons in a wide range of procedures:

- general surgery
- orthopedics
- obstetrics/gynecology
- neuro/spine
- urology
- cardiothoracic surgery
- plastics
- robotics

### RELY ON QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY

We manage the logistics of hiring, insuring, and credentialing our surgical assistants, who must demonstrate competency in our fully equipped training OR as a contingency of employment. Through SpecialtyCare University they receive regular training on the latest techniques and developments in the field. And, every 12 months, they must pass a rigorous clinical competency evaluation in these and other areas:

- Patient physiological status assessment
- Infection control
- Patient preparation
- Pre-op preparation
- Intraoperative surgical support
- Post-op skills
- Effective communication

As a result, our surgical assistants continually grow their expertise & knowledge to ensure unmatched performance your surgeons can rely on.

### GAIN INDUSTRY INSIGHTS

By supporting 1,000+ hospitals in nearly 400,000 procedures across our service lines each year, SpecialtyCare has the industry's largest multi-institutional operative registry—a database that enables us to conduct unparalleled clinical research. With this, our Medical Office is uniquely positioned to identify and disseminate emerging trends and best practices, enabling our network of clinicians to serve as a bridge between surgeons by sharing innovations that advance patient care for everyone.

### COUNT ON CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

In addition to research that helps elevate clinical care, we are committed to continuous improvement in all areas of our business to ensure that you receive the maximum return on your investment. Our clinical quality and efficiency metrics for surgical assist are designed to measure and demonstrate our impact on safety and patient outcomes at the hospital and OR level. We track and report first-case start delay, participation in surgical timeout, incision time, closure time, and the time the surgeon leaves the operating room.

### LIMIT YOUR COMPLIANCE RISK

We believe it's incumbent upon all providers to be good stewards of the business side of healthcare, not only because of possible financial penalties, but also because operating with integrity is the right thing to do. Talk with us about compliance—the Stark Law and other regulations. We're proud of our compliance program, and our ability to limit your exposure to risk.

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