

# 9W APP Role

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The 9W APP Moonlighter role is designed to assist both the primary medicine teams and nursing staff on the 9W Stepdown floor. Responsibilities include helping with difficult blood draws/IV's through ultrasound-guided techniques, accompanying vented or otherwise unstable patients down for necessary imaging tests, and monitoring medically active patients on the unit. The APP Moonlighter is an essential part of the 9W staff and should communicate closely with the 9W Charge Nurse/Nurse Manager, Medicine Front Line Providers, and Nursing Staff. **As much as possible the Moonlighter should be physically located on the unit throughout the shift.**

## Morning

- [ ] Arrive on 9W at start of shift, introduce self to the Charge Nurse. Write name and phone number on White Board.
- [ ] Send Epic Chat to All Internal Medicine Residents on Floors to notify you are APP for the day. Residents can alert APP Moonlighter to any urgent imaging studies that could use assistance in expediting/providing transport as well as difficult lab draws requiring ultrasound.
  - \*\*List of residents on Medicine Teaching can be found by searching 'msmed' on Amion, and adding all residents on color teams
- [ ] Review Lab Request List (to be added by RN/MD staff)
- [ ] Morning Check In with Nurse Manager–To identify high resource utilizing patients that could use additional attention throughout the day.

## Midday

- [ ] Provide Lab Draws for Nursing Staff and Residents on Difficult Stick Patients
- [ ] Accompany patients down to CT/MRI as needed

## Evening

- [ ] 5:00-5:30pm: Make rounds throughout unit, asking nurses if any urgent labs need help to be drawn prior to shift end

### **Additionally**

The moonlighter may be asked to do up to 1 stepdown admission for the high acuity ADS service during the shift. The admission should be staffed with the HA-ADS attending and signed out to the HA-ADS night PA (can be identified on amion.com) at the conclusion of the shift. The HA-ADS PA will assume care of the patient the following day.

### **Opportunities for Assistance to 9W Nursing Staff**

[ ] “Trach Rounds” – assisting with trach suctioning and trach care.

[ ] Monitoring Vented Patients (Perhaps during mid afternoon, given that medicine teams round in AM) – assessing if any patients are visibly uncomfortable on the vent (overbreathing, vent alarms, high peak pressures). Alert primary medical team if concerned.

[ ] RRT assistance – touching base with nursing staff for which an RRT was called on a patient to assist with urgent labs or imaging requests. Helping with CT questionnaires/MRI questionnaires.

- For all pending tasks with APP Moonlighter, Epic chat should be created with Front Line Provider, APP, and patient’s nurse to coordinate. Front Line Provider and Nurse should be alerted when a task is completed.