

# 0761 Safe Surgery Project Facilitator

## Overview

<b>Title:</b> Safe Surgery Project Facilitator	<b>Commitment Level (1-4):</b> 1
<b>Reports To:</b> Safe Surgery Project Manager	<b>On Boarding Required (Y/N):</b> N
<b>Department:</b> Medical Capacity Building	<b>Minimum Commitment:</b> 6 weeks
<b>Job Code:</b> 0761	<b>Typical Service Commitment:</b> 6 weeks - 3 Months
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## Summary Description

Responsible for the clinical component of the Mercy Ships Safe Surgery course at sites remote from the ship, often throughout the host country.

This position involves traveling throughout the host country by Mercy Ships vehicle (where possible), bus, taxi and plane and staying in local guesthouses and/or hotels. When not actively engaged in training (weekends and holidays), the position will be based either on board or at a Mercy Ships off-ship housing facility. This position is part of a team consisting of one other Safe Surgery Project Facilitator, the Safe Surgery Project Manager and where possible, two local doctors who are interested in Global Surgery, who act both as translators as well as delivering the teaching themselves.

## Essential Duties and Responsibilities (include but not limited to)

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily:

- Using Mercy Ships designed Safe Surgery curriculum and materials, responsible for teaching local health professionals. Topics include safety in the Operating Room, fluid management, teamwork and communication, pain management and how to implement the World Health Organization Surgical Safety Checklist. Teaching will also cover Lifebox (pulse oximetry) training, how to count compresses/swabs at the beginning and end of an operation
- Responsible for updating, adjusting and developing curriculum and materials, such as PowerPoint Presentations and laminations, as necessary
- Responsible for training two local doctors how to use the training materials so they can successfully train others
- Responsible for collecting data in each training hospital, performing baseline assessments using standardized questionnaires on facility data, staff attitudes and course feedback.
- Responsible for maintaining records of participants, curriculum updates and changes, location-specific teaching, materials and equipment donations and evaluation data to ensure among

others and thorough documentation of the implementation of the World Health Organization Surgical Safety Checklist throughout host country

- Assist the Safe Surgery Project Manager to ensure organization of resources for successful outcome of training objectives
- Assist the Safe Surgery Project Manager with logistics of the project where necessary
- Other duties as assigned

## **Qualifications (Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, and Requirements)**

The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required:

- Supportive of Mercy Ships mission and vision, and committed to its core values
- Understand and apply servant leadership, work collaboratively with integrity and demonstrate accountability
- Able to live in and contribute to community life, requiring stable and healthy interpersonal skills
- Medical qualification in surgery, anesthesia, or similar discipline (Doctor or Nurse)
- Experience in using the World Health Organization Safe Surgical Checklist or similar tool and a desire to teach others
- Ability to organize and plan work effectively within a team and organizational context
- Must have excellent written and oral communication skills
- Must be comfortable living and working in non-Western environment
- Must possess cross-cultural awareness and sensitivity
- Must be fluent in English
- French language skills - International B1 Level (or equivalent) preferable when serving in Francophone countries
- Must have a full, clean driving license with at least five years' driving experience. Will be expected to drive as part of responsibilities - International Driver's License required (obtain prior to arrival on board)
- Mercy Ships Child Safety Awareness training required (CSA 1a)
- No advanced child safety training required, as this position is not authorized to work independently with children

## **Education and Experience**

The requirements listed below are representative of the education and/or experience required:

- 2 years of Surgical or Anesthesia experience essential
- Experience working cross culturally is desired
- Mercy Ships experience desired