



# Willa Fuentes

## Travel Surgical Technologist

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### SUMMARY

Dedicated Surgical Technologist with over two years of experience in high-pressure surgical settings. Expertise in maintaining sterile environments and handling surgical instruments, ensuring the utmost patient care while assisting surgeons during intricate procedures. Excited to embrace a travel role that allows for adaptability across various HealthFirst facilities. Significant focus on continuous learning and implementing best practices in surgical technology. Committed to fostering collaboration within surgical teams to achieve outstanding patient outcomes and enhance operational efficiency. Looking forward to contributing positively and representing HealthFirst's values.

### EXPERIENCE

#### Surgical Technologist

City Hospital 📅 June 2024 - Present 📍 New York, NY

As a Surgical Technologist at City Hospital, engaged actively in the surgical process across diverse specialties. Leveraged strong adaptability by transitioning smoothly between varied surgical teams, facilitating enhanced patient satisfaction and procedural efficiency.

- Prepared and maintained surgical instruments for diverse procedures, significantly enhancing compliance with safety standards.
- Assisted in numerous surgeries including orthopedics and general surgery, improving team dynamics and operational workflows.
- Documented detailed procedure records, leading to better inventory management and minimal instrument waste.
- Collaborated closely with healthcare professionals to ensure optimized patient outcomes, establishing supportive relationships with team members.
- Engaged in regular training initiatives, promoting innovation and comprehensive understanding of new surgical technologies.
- Promoted positive patient interactions through compassionate care, achieving recognition from peers for outstanding service.

#### Surgical Technology Intern

Metro Surgical Center 📅 January 2023 - May 2024 📍 New York, NY

Gained firsthand experience as a Surgical Technology Intern, immersing into preparations for a variety of surgical procedures. Developed foundational skills in maintaining sterile environments while effectively supporting lead technologists in daily operations.

- Assisted in preparing operating rooms, consistently ensuring flawless setup for surgical procedures.
- Supported senior surgical personnel by presenting instruments efficiently, increasing accuracy and speed in higher-stress situations.
- Provided attentive patient support, which elevated comfort levels pre-and post-surgery, enriching overall patient care experiences.
- Upheld rigorous cleanliness and organizational protocols, fully aligned with infection control requirements.
- Aided in thorough documentation of procedural data, assisting in accountability and reporting accuracy.
- Mentored incoming interns about established best practices and safe environment approaches.

### LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

- Certified Surgical Technologist (CST), 2025
- Basic Life Support (BLS), 2025

### STRENGTHS

- ✓ **Attention to Detail**  
Consistently ensures sterility and compliance leading to safe surgical atmospheres in all cases. Instrumental for patient trust and operational integrity.
- 👥 **Team Collaboration**  
Actively fosters communication among surgical teams, set standards for interactions, attaining smooth surgical processes and improved teamwork.
- 🔄 **Adaptability**  
Successfully shifts between different surgical teams and environments, ensuring seamless integration into new surgical settings for optimal care delivery.
- ♥ **Patient-Centric Approach**  
Commits to advocating for patients' comfort, merging technical expertise with compassionate care.
- 💡 **Problem Solving**  
Uses quick thinking to address challenges swiftly during surgeries, ultimately safeguarding patient outcomes and satisfaction.

### SKILLS

Surgical Instrumentation

Sterile Techniques   Patient Care

Record Keeping

Team Collaboration   Adaptability

Procedural Documentation

Safety Protocols

Emergency Response

Patient Advocacy Infection Control

Operating Room Standards

Interdisciplinary Communication

Training & Mentorship

Continuing Education

## LANGUAGES

English Native

Spanish Proficient

## MY CAREER



● Surgical Technologist at City Hospital (2.1 Years)

● Surgical Technology Intern at Metro Surgical Center (1.3 Years)

## EDUCATION

### Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology

Brooklyn Community College 🎓 GPA: 3.7 📅 2024 📍 Brooklyn, NY

**Coursework:** *Anatomy, Surgical Procedures, Patient Care, Sterile Techniques*

## CERTIFICATIONS

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Surgical Instruments:** Scissors, Forceps, Electrocautery
- **Sterilization Equipment:** Autoclaves, Chemical Sterilants, UV Disinfectants
- **Patient Monitoring Systems:** Pulse Oximeters, Vital Sign Monitors, ECG Machines
- **Infection Control Protocols:** Hand Hygiene, Personal Protective Equipment, Disposal Procedures
- **Documentation Tools:** EMR systems, Procedure Logs, Supply Management Software
- **Surgical Techniques:** Laparoscopy, Open Surgery, Endoscopic Procedures
- **Patient Safety Standards:** Time Outs, Verification Processes, Checklists
- **Multi-disciplinary Coordination:** Surgeons, Nurses, Anesthetists
- **Operational Efficiency Practices:** Workflow Mapping, Resource Allocation, Time Management
- **Education & Training:** Safety Programs, Workshops, Certification Courses

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Active Member of the Association of Surgical Technologists
- Volunteer, Local Health Fair Providing Surgical Screens

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Work Status** : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

## REFERENCES

AVAILABLE ON REQUEST