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Objective

Dedicated registered nurse (RN) with more than 20 years of experience in large and small hospital settings seeks challenging new opportunity. Reliable, ethical healthcare provider with ability to stay calm and intervene during a crisis; works well with others and in a team atmosphere. Proven ability to lead and collaborate with physicians, patients, patient families and other medical professionals.

Work Experience

Registered Nurse

6/2003 – Present Emory Adventist Hospital, Smyrna, GA
Operating room/surgical nurse in a small hospital in a suburb of Atlanta, GA
specializing in outpatient procedures. Cases primarily consisted of
orthopedics, urology, general surgeries, and ear, nose, and throat.

Key Accomplishments:

- Appointed to conduct chart auditing for the operating room.
- Successfully converted from paper patient charting to fully computerized patient charting.
- Responsible for maintaining and ordering urology supplies.

Open Heart/Cardiac Surgical Nurse

6/1993 - 6/2003 Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta, GA

Worked on a cardiac surgical team as both a scrub nurse and as a circulating nurse.

Key Accomplishments:

- Scrub and circulate on open heart surgery cases for patients suffering from cardiac artery disease;
- Certified and proficient at ACLS;
- Trained and certified on AESOP Robotic arm;
- Maintained active call schedule one day per week and every fourth weekend;

Operating Room Traveling Nurse

6/1991 - 2/1993 Cross Country Traveling Nurses, Boca Raton, FL Philadelphia, PA based Registered Nurse required to travel to temporary assignments in Atlanta, GA, Randallstown, MD, and Jacksonville, FL.

Key Accomplishments:

- Demonstrated ability to relocate quickly to different hospital settings, usually adapting to new systems, physician procedures, equipment and supply locations within three days to one week.
- Accomplished in adapting quickly to multiple cities, social environments and professional expectations.

Registered Nurse / Floor RN

6/1988 - 6/1991 The Graduate Hospital, Philadelphia, PA

Responsible for providing hands on patient care including but not limited to the monitoring of patient vital signs, administering medication, patient advocacy, and communication between both physician and patient family.

Key Accomplishments:

- Demonstrated ability to manage large patient caseload by treating an average of 8-10 patients daily (during nursing shortage)
- Demonstrated ability to function effectively and successfully for patient safety and well being;
- Developed strong communication skills with physicians, physician assistants, and hospital staff;
- Recommended for, accepted and completed The Graduate Hospital's training program for operating room nurses.

Nurse Extern

6/1986 - 6/1988 The Graduate Hospital, Philadelphia, PA

Worked under the supervision of an RN providing basic patient care including but not limited to the taking of patient vital signs and providing patient personal care.

Key Accomplishments:

 Developed and practiced key nursing skills before participating in clinical during nursing school.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Indiana University of Pennsylvania

9/2008 Registered Nurse, State of GA

Skills

- Critical-Care Nursing
- Patient/Family

Chart Auditing

JCAHO Standards/ Compliance

- Medication Administration
- Patient/Family Education
- Quality & Continuity of Care
- Patient Education
 Patient Advocacy

Additional Information

With more than 20 years professional experience as a registered nurse, I adapt to new situations quickly; enjoy challenging situations; proficient at patient assessment and care in outpatient as well as in-patient settings.