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OBJECTIVE:

Registered Nurse position

EDUCATION:

December, 2010 **B.S. NURSING, PSYCHOLOGY support**
Alverno College

RELEVANT HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCE:

2017 – Present **Registered Nurse 2**, Ascension Wheaton Franciscan All Saints Hospital

- Worked in Same Day Surgery department.
- Prepared patients for surgery, which included patient interview, ensuring appropriate preoperative testing was completed, educating patients regarding perioperative course, starting IVs, and frequent collaboration with surgeons and anesthesiologists.
- Completed postoperative teaching and discharge home for outpatients once they met criteria.
- Recovered patients postoperatively when MAC or local anesthesia was used.
- Trained in general anesthesia recovery in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit and covered PACU for night and weekend call.
- Frequently filled the role of Charge Nurse on the unit, which required effective communication with other perioperative departments including PACU, OR, and PAT (Preoperative Assessment and Teaching), as well as fellow RNs in Same Day Surgery.
- Assisted the unit by completing RN and CNA work schedule.

2015 – 2017 **Clinical Nurse**, Ascension Columbia St. Mary's Hospital

- Worked in a clinic setting specializing in general surgery and burn surgery.
- Checked patients in for office visits, reviewing their reason for visiting, past medical history, medications, allergies, and vital signs.
- Scheduled office appointments, as well as planned and emergent surgeries.
- Educated patients regarding preoperative instructions.
- Performed the role of a triage nurse, answering questions that patients had regarding postoperative complications and other general surgery questions.
- Contacted insurance companies to get surgeries authorized preoperatively.
- Completed FMLA and disability paperwork.

2014 – 2015 **Pediatric Nurse 2**, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin

- Worked in a 24-bed Pediatric Intensive Care Unit
- Cared for patients ranging in age from neonates to adults with a wide range of clinical diagnoses, including respiratory illnesses due to bacterial and viral processes, seizures, neurosurgeries, solid organ transplants, traumatic brain injuries, traumas, patients with tracheostomies, and other special needs patients.
- Managed all aspects of nursing care including performing and documenting physical assessments, administering medications and vaccines, maintaining and titrating continuous medication infusions,

assisting doctors during routine and emergent medical procedures, educating parents and other caregivers on the special needs of their children, and providing emotional support for patients and families during difficult experiences in their lives.

- Floated to other Critical Care Units, including the Neonatal ICU, the Cardiac PICU, and the Hematology/Oncology PICU.

2010 – 2014 **Clinical Nurse 2**, Columbia St. Mary's Hospital

- Worked in a 24-bed Intensive Care Unit.
- Operated complex medical equipment including Prismaflex (Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy), Alsius (Induced Hypothermia), and Vigilance (Continuous Cardiac Output) machines.
- Fulfilled the role of Rapid Response Team RN, which included responding to urgent medical situations for inpatients, outpatients, and visitors as need and acting as a resource for other nurses in the hospital. Also responsible for coordinating admissions, discharges, and transfers of patients as well as making frequent staffing decisions for the Intensive Care Unit, Burn Unit, and Intermediate Care Unit.
- Acted as a preceptor to new staff and took an active role in their growth and development as new ICU nurses.
- Served on a committee that focused on improving unit processes.
- Organized social outings for staff to help foster interpersonal relationships and boost unit morale.
- Floated to other Critical Care Units, including the Burn ICU and Intermediate Care Unit.

2010 – 2010 **Nurse Technician**, Columbia St. Mary's Hospital

- Worked in a 12-bed Medical/Surgical Intensive Care Unit
- Managed aspects of patient care in collaboration with a supervising Registered Nurse including completing physical assessments, maintaining medication infusions, administering enteral and parenteral medications, interpreting EKG tracings, inserting, maintaining, and removing Foley catheters, nasogastric tubes, IVs, and rectal tubes, performing site care on central and PICC lines, and documenting findings on critically ill patients.
- Assisted supervising RNs with admission, transfer, and discharge processes .

2008 – 2010 **Patient Care Assistant**, Columbia St. Mary's Hospital

- Performed numerous nursing-related tasks, including taking vital signs, recording intake/output, checking glucose levels, assisting in dressing changes, inserting and removing Foley catheters, performing activities of daily living with patients, and performing EKGs on a 21-bed Medical/Surgical Intensive Care unit.
- Provided one-to-one contact with individuals experiencing mental/emotional challenges to ensure safety.

2003 – 2006 **Certified Nursing Assistant/Unit Secretary**, Monroe Clinic, Monroe, WI

- Cared for a variety of patients under the supervision of a Registered Nurse on a 30-bed medical/surgical/pediatric floor.
- Cross-trained as a Unit Secretary and filled in at that position numerous times, often performing the roles of CNA and Unit Secretary simultaneously.

CURRENT CERTIFICATIONS:

- Registered Nurse
- Basic Life Support (BLS)
- Advanced Care Life Support (ACLS)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)