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Registered Nurse at Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital

Lisle, Illinois, United StatesHospital & Health Care

Previous positions

Clinical Nurse Manager, Sub-Acute Care Unit at Elmhurst Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center

Registered Nurse, Sub-Acute Care Unit at Elmhurst Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center

Education

University of Cincinnati College of Nursing, Master of Science - MS, Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Background

Summary

Experienced Registered Nurse, Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) with demonstrated leadership roles in the hospital & health care industry. Credentialed Epic Trainer. Skilled in Rehabilitation Nursing with focus on Brain Injury, Patient Advocacy, Public Speaking. Strong healthcare services professional with a B.S. in Nursing from Villanova University.

Experience

Registered Nurse/Charge Nurse, Brain Injury Unit

Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital

November 2017 – Present(2 years 2 months)Wheaton, IL

127 bed acute inpatient rehabilitation hospital, part of Northwestern Medicine

• Credentialed Trainer for EPIC transition from Meditech system

• Member of Quality Council, Shared Leadership Nursing Council

• Provide quality patient care through a team nursing approach in 21-bed brain injury unit

• Physical examinations, IV therapy, PEG feed, trach care, medication administration, and wound care for 5-7 patients

• Direct and supervise three nursing assistants and one unit secretary

Clinical Nurse Manager, Sub-Acute Care Unit

Elmhurst Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center

November 2015 – March 2016(4 months)Providence, RI

Elmhurst Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center is a 206 bed short-term sub-acute care and long-term care skilled nursing facility and nursing home

• Ensure quality patient care through direct supervision of over 15 staff members on 31-bed sub-acute care unit with 24-hour accountability

• Demonstrate leadership in implementing programs to improve the delivery of care

• Worked closely with interdisciplinary team to ensure excellent communication and patient satisfaction

• Promoted to nurse manager based on proven nursing skills and leadership rapport with nursing colleagues

Registered Nurse, Sub-Acute Care Unit

Elmhurst Rehabilitation & Healthcare Center

February 2013 – November 2015(2 years 9 months)Providence, Rhode Island Area

• Implement total patient care through a team nursing approach in 31-bed sub-acute care unit

• Physical examinations, IV therapy, PEG feed and med administration, and wound care for 12-16 patients

• Train and orient new hires, including new grads

• Supervise three to four nursing assistants, one medical technician, one unit secretary

• Document notes and patient progress on Meditech system

• Proficient in: Obtaining EKG, bladder scanning via ultrasound, wound vac application, Heimlich valve care, Denver Pleurex drain, colostomy/ileostomy application and care, CVC care, PICC line removal

Nurse Volunteer

Hillcrest AIDS Centre Trust and Thousand Hills Community Helpers

May 2011 – May 2011Durban Area, South Africa

Provided patient care and staff education to AIDS hospice and respite unit and community health clinic.

Special Education/Math Teacher

Upper Darby School District

August 2007 – May 2010(2 years 9 months)Upper Darby High School

• Customized curriculum to student strengths and weaknesses to ensure mastery

• Managed annual caseloads of 20-35 students to evaluate progress and facilitate and document parent, student, and teacher communication

Special Education/Math Teacher

Elmhurst High School

August 2005 – June 2006(10 months)Fort Wayne, Indiana Area

• Pioneered freshmen academy and recruited staff and designed policies, structure, and curriculum in order to reduce freshmen dropout rate

• Strategized with Fort Wayne School District Minority Affairs Council to increase minority recruitment and retention through networking, referrals, and a mentorship program

Math Teacher

Pablo Neruda Academy for Architecture and World Studies

August 2004 – June 2005(10 months)Bronx, NY

• Led cross-functional team to identify goals and necessary skills to empower high-risk students to take ownership for their education and engage them in regular school attendance

• Initiated quarterly analysis of 170 student pass/fail rates to review and revise instructional strategies

Special Education Teacher

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September 2003 – June 2004(9 months)Bronx, NY

• Taught and developed curriculum for 4th and 5th grade students with learning disabilities

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Master of Science - MS, Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

2019 – 2021

University of Cincinnati College of Nursing

Villanova University

B.S., Nursing

2010 – 2011

Villanova University

Activities and Societies

• Co-authored Pennsylvania Nurse article in September 2011 issue: “Your Environment, Your Health”

• Member Sigma Theta Tau, Alpha Nu Chapter

• Connelly-Delouvrier Scholar

• Student Nurses’ Association of Pennsylvania, Villanova University Chapter, 2010-2011

Mercy College

M.S., Elementary and Special Educaiton

2003 – 2005

Mercy College

Northwestern University

B.S., Communication Sciences & Disorders

1999 – 2003

Northwestern University

Skills & Expertise

Nursing

BLS

Project Management

Public Speaking

Clinical Research

Teaching

Healthcare

Patient Advocacy

Geriatric Nursing

Certifications

Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS)

The Academy of Certified Brain Injury Specialists (ACBIS), License

October 2019 – October 2020