Melissa Vranicar

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Registered Nurse at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

Hinsdale, Illinois, United StatesHospital & Health Care

Previous positions

Pediatric Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit Student Nurse at Michigan Medicine

Student Nurse Technician- Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital

Education

University of Michigan, Bachelor’s Degree, Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse

Experience

Registered Nurse Cardiac Care Unit

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

August 2019 – Present(6 months)Chicago, IL

Pediatric Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit Student Nurse

Michigan Medicine

September 2018 – December 2018(3 months)

Gained valuable knowledge, assessment, and critical thinking skills working with complex pediatric patients alongside nurse mentors for a total of 260 hours.

Learned about the compassion needed to care for younger patients and their families after cardiac surgery.

Explored the benefits of teamwork among the interprofessional healthcare team in a fast-paced pediatric intensive care setting.

Student Nurse Technician- Pediatric Intensive Care Unit

MedStar Georgetown University Hospital

May 2018 – August 2018(3 months)Washington D.C. Metro Area

Collaborated with nurses and healthcare team to provide care to complex pediatric patients.

Provided patient and family-centered care to each child on our unit.

Shadowed nurses twice a week in order to strengthen my nursing assessment and critical thinking skills.

Patient Care Technician

Loyola University Medical Center

June 2017 – May 2018(11 months)Maywood, IL

Communicated in an effective manner to meet the patient and family needs.

Utilize teamwork skills as part of the healthcare team in order to provide adequate care for each patient.

Teaching Assistant

University of Michigan Towsley Children's House

September 2016 – April 2017(7 months)Ann Arbor, Michigan

Worked with teachers to provide a safe learning environment for children ages 4-5.

Patient Representative Intern

Midwest Orthopaedics at RUSH

May 2016 – August 2016(3 months)Chicago, Illinois

Interacted one-on-one with patients on a daily basis while taking their vitals and showing them to their rooms. Gained valuable experience conversing with patients. Developed efficient ways to keep patient rooms full when they are available, which decreased the wait time for their appointments.

Education

University of Michigan

Bachelor’s Degree, Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse

2015 – 2019

University of Michigan

Activities and Societies

March of Dimes, Michigan Health Aid, Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

Hinsdale Central High School

High School

2011 – 2015

Activities and Societies

Conflict Resolution Team Leader, Student Council Senate, Operation Snowball Club, Irish Dancing, Track and Field Captain, Cheerleading

Skills & Expertise

Leadership

Project Management

Microsoft Excel

Public Speaking

Microsoft Office

Customer Service

PowerPoint

Research

Management

Microsoft Word

Microsoft PowerPoint

Certifications

BLS for Healthcare Providers (CPR and AED)

American Heart Association, License

October 2019 – October 2021

Registered Nurse

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, License

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

American Heart Association, License

October 2019 – October 2021

Courses

University of Michigan

Health Maintenance and Restoration

Health Promotion and Risk Reduction

Global Health

Biochemistry

Nursing as a Societal and Interpersonal Profession

Writing and Academic Inquiry

Project Outreach Working with Preschool Children

Pediatric Nursing

Assessment of Health and Illness

Structure and Function of the Human Body

Complex Care

Developmental Psychology

Childbearing and Reproductive Health

Pathophysiology

Independent Coursework

Statistics

Nursing Research

Mental Health Nursing

Medical Surgical Nursing

Pharmacology

Honors & Awards

Dean's List

University of Michigan

December 2015

University Honors

University of Michigan

December 2015

Organizations

March of Dimes University of Michigan Chapter

Fundraising Chair

January 2016 – Present

Secretary 2017, Missions Committee Member 2016, Fundraising Committee Member 2016. Created a way to keep track of attendance and participation points for the club. Worked with the other executive members on planning and carrying out fundraising events.

Michigan Health Aid

Community-Coordinated Preventative Screenings Member

September 2016 – Present

Provided health screenings at many different homeless shelters throughout the Ann Arbor area. Utilized my nursing skills to perform blood pressure screenings and provide participants with helpful information about risk factors and preventative measures for hypertension.

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

April 2018 – Present

Volunteer Experience & Causes

Volunteer

Michigan Health Aid

September 2016 – May 2019(2 years 8 months)Health

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Volunteer Work

MEDLIFE

August 2016Health

Collaborated with nurses and doctors to set up mobile clinics and provide medical care to those who are unable to receive any outside of Lima, Peru.

Youth Leader

Young Life

July 2014 – January 2015(6 months)

Lead a group of middle school girls during camp, guiding them through their faith. Mentored them throughout the school year.

Volunteer in the Birthing Center

Adventist LaGrange Memorial Hospital, Inc.

May 2014 – August 2014(3 months)Health

Worked alongside nurses in the birthing center. Helped them complete tasks that kept the unit running smoothly.

Volunteer Work

Young Life

March 2013 – August 2014(1 year 5 months)Poverty Alleviation

Worked to help rebuild houses on two separate occasions in Mississippi 2013 and Guatemala 2014.

Causes Melissa cares about:

Children

Education

Health

Disaster and Humanitarian Relief

Poverty Alleviation