

# RITA BRISCOE

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Experienced and enthusiastic LPN licensed in South Dakota Multi-state (Compact) and Minnesota with strong clinical and people skills and dedicated work ethic. Demonstrated medical procedure competency with experience ensuring high standards of culturally competent care for wide variety of patients with diverse needs. Responsible LPN with excellent communication skills demonstrated by 43 years of experience in healthcare.

## SKILLS

- highly dependable
- excellent patient rapport
- knowledgeable
- varied experiences
- superb work ethic
- adaptable
- thorough

## • EDUCATION

- North Dakota State School of Science, Wahpeton, ND- Associate of Science in Nursing, 1975

## • EXPERIENCE

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### • **AVERA MEDICAL GROUP GASTROENTEROLOGY, SIOUX FALLS, SD LPN-CLINIC NURSE, JUL 2015-PRESENT**

- Room patients, obtaining vitals, verify medication list & allergies. Obtain patient medical history.
- Schedule patient office visits
- Schedule procedures as imaging, colonoscopy, upper endoscopy, endoscopic ultrasound, ERCP, and other less frequent procedures, laboratory tests and provide education on such
- Notify patients of results and recommendations
- Set up referrals
- Take patient calls, answer questions, and if needed route to provider
- Discharge patients and provide education
- Enter orders in patient's electronic medical record
- Maintain strict HIPPA regulations

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### • **AVERA MEDICAL GROUP NEPHROLOGY, SIOUX FALLS, SD LPN-CLINIC NURSE MAR, 2014-JUL 2015**

- Room patients, obtaining vitals, verify medication list & allergies.
- Obtain patient medical history.
- Schedule patient office visits
- Schedule procedures as kidney biopsies, laboratory tests and provide education on such
- Notify patients of results and recommendations
- Give injections
- Monitor medication supply, maintain proper storage, and track outdate, lot number, and manufacturer
- Set up referrals
- Take patient calls, answer questions, and if needed route to provider
- Discharge patients and provide education
- Enter orders in patient's electronic medical record
- Maintain strict HIPPA regulations

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### • **GETTYSBURG MEDICAL CENTER, GETTYSBURG, SD, LPN- HOSPITAL NURSE AND LONG-TERM CARE DEMENTIA UNIT CO-COORDINATOR**

- Worked in all areas of a small rural hospital co-coordinator, May 1974-Mar 2014
- OR surgical tech
- Delivery room and newborn care
- ACLS certified
- Direct patient care
- Emergency room
- Sterilization processing
- Chronic patient care in med-surg unit, adeptly handling all aspects of treatment from medication to wound care
- Instructed patients and family members on proper discharge care.
- Developed and implemented patient care plans, including assessments, evaluations and nursing diagnoses.
- Followed infection control procedures.
- Assisted doctors with surgeries and non-invasive procedures.
- Maintained all confidential personnel files, license and CPR compliance records.
- Assessed need for, ordered, obtained and interpreted appropriate lab tests.

- Self-directed with astute judgment skills. High level of personal accountability.
- Diagnosed and treated patients with chronic and acute health problems such as MI, arrhythmias, asthma, COPD and pneumonia.
- Documented patient information obtained from interviews.
- Provided on-call care at all times of day and night.
- Assisted residents with bathing, dressing, feeding, lifting and transferring.
- Authorized drug refills and provided detailed prescription information to pharmacies.
- Collected blood, tissue and other laboratory specimens and prepared them for lab testing.
- Assisted patients with daily functions.
- Monitored fluid intake and output levels.
- Provided all daily living tasks to enhance quality of life for elderly patients.
- Experience with various medical conditions including Parkinson's, Dementia, Diabetes, Cancer, and Alzheimer's.
- Closely monitored acute conditions.
- Demonstrated ability to lead and motivate outstanding healthcare teams.
- Ensured HIPAA compliance.
- Coordinated Quality Improvement Activities (QIA's) to identify performance areas for improvement.
- Performed monthly inventory and maintained office and medical supply counts.
- Strong leader for nursing personnel assigned to the unit/shift.

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- **SELF-EMPLOYED, GETTYSBURG, SD FEB 1995-AUG 2002 LPN- INSURANCE PHYSICALS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

- Collected urine samples--verifying authenticity
- Perform venipunctures, centrifuge specimens, label and identify
- Physical measurements
- Obtain complete and accurate health history
- Perform memory assessments and documentation for application of long term care insurance
- maintain strict confidentiality
- package and mail specimens using bio-hazard precautions