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Work Experience

Staff Nurse, West4 Surgical Medical Intensive Care Unit

Children's Hospital of Wisconsin - Wauwatosa, WI

October 2008 to Present

Delivering care to patients utilizing the nursing process of assessment, planning, intervention, implementation, and patients evaluation, in accordance with established philosophy

- Effectively interacting with patient and significant others, while maintaining the standard of professional nursing
- Providing care for children and adolescents with a wide-range of ailments, from common childhood diseases to life-threatening illnesses
- Providing age and culturally appropriate care to patient
- Consulting and coordinating with health care team members to assess, plan, implement and evaluate patient care plans
- Monitoring patient's vital signs, such as blood pressure, breathing and heart rate, and initiates corrective action whenever the patient displays adverse symptomatology
- Following continuous cardiac and respiratory monitor readings, such as EKG tracings, O2 stats, CVP/arterial line waveforms, if applicable, and reports any observed changes

- Administering infusion therapy, including: IV fluids, antibiotics, antifungals, antivirals, electrolytes
- Assisting treating physician during examination, treatment and procedures, which can include life-saving situations
- Analyzing lab results
- Assisting with the insertion or discontinuation of CV catheters, arterial lines, external ventricular drains, epidural catheters and endotracheal tubes, Foleys
- Providing education, information and emotional support to the patient's family and caregivers
- Recording all care information concisely, accurately and completely, in a timely manner, in the appropriate format and on the appropriate forms
- Performing other position-related duties as assigned, depending on assignment setting
- Monitoring and adjusting specialized equipment used on patients, such as ventilators
- Conducting ongoing assessments as determined by the patient's condition and/or the facility's policies, procedures or protocols and reprioritizes care accordingly
- Developing plan of care that is individualized for the infant or child reflecting collaboration with other members of the healthcare team
- Performing appropriate treatments as ordered by physician in an accurate and timely manner
- Performing therapeutic nursing interventions as established by individualized plan of care for the patient and his/her family
- Providing individualized patient/family education customized to the patient and his/her family

- Initiating emergency resuscitative measures according to patient resuscitation and advanced life support protocols
- Maintaining confidentiality in matters related to patient, family and hospital staff
- Providing care in a non-judgmental, non-discriminatory manner that is sensitive to the infant or children's and family's diversity, preserving their autonomy, dignity and rights
- Reporting patient condition to appropriate personnel during each shift
- Maintaining current competency in patient critical care nursing
- Performing assigned duties at the unit in conformity with generally accepted nursing standards and all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations
- Maintaining a record of hours worked and schedule
- Abiding by the policies and procedures of the hospital, and any orders or directions given by physician regarding Nurse's duties and responsibilities

Staff Nurse, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit

Schneider children's Medical Center

September 2002 to January 2008

Served as charge nurse caring for pre and post operative patients with acute illnesses, including acute congestive failure, cardiac dysrhythmias, drug overdose, massive trauma, respiratory failure, metabolic and endocrine disorders, renal, oncological, infections and communicable diseases, neurosurgery and musculoskeletal disorders, immune diseases, disseminated intravascular coagulopathy and organ transplantation

- Delivered a complete range of RN services and expertise; accurately obtained and documented patient history and medication lists, assessed individual conditions and needs, and selected departmental referrals for acute and chronically ill patients
- Prepared equipment and assisted physicians during patient examinations and treatments
- Duties included assessment and care of critical cardiac, respiratory and trauma patients
- Was responsible for continuous monitoring of vital signs, interpretation of arrhythmias, administration of vasopressors and cardiac drugs, maintaining ventilator support, chest tubes, hemodynamic monitoring and documentation in medical records
- Worked closely with physicians and other nurses. Accurate reporting and recording of lab values with follow up medical treatment
- Repeatedly commended by patients and supervisors for outstanding quality of care; received consistent mention in care-survey responses
- Maintained a high degree of accuracy to achieve optimal patient acuity monitoring
- Significantly improved facility's public image by ensuring exceptional patient satisfaction
- Exhibited motivation and dedication by providing the highest quality of care to each patient
- Conducted and supervised a special course for Basic Life Support and Pediatric Advanced Life Support both in Israel and Ukraine

Emergency Staff Nurse - Phone Support

Schneider children's Medical Center - תל אביב-יפו, מחוז תל אביב

March 2006 to March 2007

Provided phone support for patients suffering from trauma, acute chest pain, respiratory failure/ complaints, drug overdoses, acute alcohol ingestion, labor and delivery, infections and bleeds, arthritis, cancer, cardiovascular issues, infectious disease, mental disorders, neurological side effects, allergies, feeding problems, infant care issues, sleep problems, incontinence, teen matters, and others

- Acquired and recorded patient information and was able to demonstrate excellent observation, assessment, nursing judgment and communication skills

Pediatric Intensive Care Unit Nurse Residency

Schneider children's Medical Center

December 1999 to September 2002

Performed nursing interventions such as taking vital signs, applying aseptic techniques including sterile dressing, ensuring infection control, monitoring nutritional intake and conducting specimen collection.

- Provided pre-operative and post-operative personal and comfort care.
- Monitored established respiratory therapy and intravenous therapy.
- Monitored patients' progress; evaluated effectiveness of nursing interventions and consulted with appropriate members of healthcare team.
- Provided safety and health education to individuals and their families.

Education

medical

telephone service center

2006

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

TEL-AVIV University

2002

Skills

- PICU (10+ years)
- Critical Care Experience
- ICU Experience
- Nursing
- Infant Care

Certifications and Licenses

BLS Certified

May 2018

PALS

May 2018

Additional Information

Qualifications Profile

Dedicated Registered Nurse with 14 years of practical experience in PICU, proven strengths in acute patient care, staff development, and family advocacy.

- Exceptional capacity to multi-task: manage numerous, often competing priorities with ease and foster the provision of superior patient care.

- Administrative and referral experience including admissions, assessment, treatment, and education for a wide range of patients.
- Widely recognized as an excellent care provider and patient advocate.
- Demonstrated ability to forge, lead, and motivate outstanding healthcare teams that provide top-quality patient care.
- Outstanding interpersonal and communication skills; superior accuracy in patient history, charting, and other documentation.

Certifications and Proficiencies