# CASSANDRA VANDREESE, BSN, RN, CCRN-CSC

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## REGISTERED NURSE

Registered nurse with over 8 years nursing experience, strong clinical background in Intensive Care & Cardiothoracic Critical Care. Dedicated clinical professional who persistently strives to provide patients with exceptional, safe, compassionate care. Highly motivated individual who thrives in fast-paced environments, has an extensive knowledge of evidence-based practice & ability to aid in the progression of patient's individualized care.

Technology: Microsoft Office, Epic

Patient Advocate Evidenced Based Best Practice Approach Quality Metrics Shared Governance

Collaborative Care National Patient Safety Goals Healthy Work Environment Continued Education

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### THEDACARE REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER • Appleton, WI • 2014 - present

Nonprofit medical center with 22-bed intensive care unit & a 55-bed remote telemetry monitoring unit.

#### Registered Nurse - Clinical Lead, Intensive Care Unit & Telemetry Monitoring Unit

Provide exemplary patient care with a strong desire for continuing professional development & team involvement, preceptor, mentor to new graduates, Clinical Lead involved in support to primary ICU RN & inpatient floors, staffing, RRT/Code response.

- Chair of Unit based council & System Critical Care Council
  - Developed & lead collaborative meetings. Spearheaded EBP policy & protocol changes with education: Eliminated Partial Code, developed sedation vacation & mobility protocol leading to a decrease in ventilator days & LOS in the ICU, Child Visitation, Collaborative Rounding with inclusion of family, Capnography & Proning, developed and implemented new graduate mentorship program
- Open Heart Team Chair
  - Developed & organized open heart orientation, organized a collaborative open-heart book club with Surgeons, APCs & RNs, organized a System Open Heart Committee achieving clear communication across the care of each patient & improved with Society of Thoracic Surgeon data
- Beacon Task Force
  - O Developed & deployed a unit based "Mega Bundle" decreasing CAUTI, CLABSI, VAP. The tool was then pushed to system wide use.
- Nurse Practice Council
  - Dress Code Task Force, Review & acknowledge system wide adverse events, implement changes

### Early Career

THEDA CLARK (NEENAH, WI) - Registered Nurse - Medical, cardiac and orthopedic unit. Collaborative Care model.

NATIONAL JEWISH HEALTH (DENVER, CO) - Clinical Research Coordinator - COPD & lung cancer largest NIH funded multicenter study

#### EDUCATION, CREDENTIALS & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

UNIVERSITY OF WI-LACROSSE - Bachelor of Science AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CRITICAL CARE NURSE

BELLIN COLLEGE - Bachelor of Science, Nursing AMERICAN NURSES ASSOCIATION

ACLS/BLS/Designated OPO Requester

SIGMA THEDA TAU, KAPPA PI CHAPTER

Critical Care Registered Nurse with Cardiac Surgery Certification