

Shelly Kauff

Registered Nurse

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Authorized to work in the US for any employer

Work Experience

Registered Nurse

OSF HealthCare - Danville, IL

February 2019 to Present

Staff floor nurse, day shift on a med-surg/ telemetry unit. Completing patient assessments, medication administration, charting in EPIC, electronic medical record.

Registered Nurse

Medical Staffing Solutions LLC - Evansville, IN

April 2018 to January 2019

Agency Registered Nurse. In this position, I accepted a day shift regular 2 week block (cycle) schedule with a facility after working there as needed for a week. This is a large long term care facility. In this position, registered nurse is solely responsible for a unit with a census of 35-40 residents. The diagnoses of resident's varies but the majority have an underlying form of dementia among their other medical issues. The registered nurse is responsible for passing medications, daily assessments, wound care and dressing changes. The nurse also obtains vital signs, performs accu-check testing, and is responsible for the collection/ drawing of any labs the residents have ordered. The registered nurse works closely with the staff Nurse Practitioners to manage any acute issues residents may have arise. In this position I care for a variety of different types of residents/patients, from those that are up and walking and have dementia, to those that are hospice and require complete care. While we do have a respiratory department at this facility, there are times that nursing was responsible for performing scheduled and as needed breathing treatments, also. The nurse on this unit was assisted throughout the shift by a QMA and CNA's. The charting that the nurse was to complete was computerized charting, and we were responsible for MDS charting, Med A charting and the regular daily charting on pertinent events such as falls, wound care, etc.

Registered Nurse

Lane House - Crawfordsville, IN

January 2018 to April 2018

Floor nurse with 25-30:1 ratio. Assigned duties include medication admin., which includes oral and intravenous. Documentation using EMR, monitoring residents for any changes in mental status, wound care and treatments.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Gardenview Manor and the Villas - Tilton, IL

September 2014 to February 2016

Responsibilities:

As the Assistant Director of Nursing, I was responsible for assisting the DON as needed with daily duties such as reviewing/ assessing potential patient intakes for appropriateness in the office and out in the field, receiving daily report from staff RN's, daily monitoring of staff charting in EMR and monitoring staffing levels. Along with this, I was also responsible for the duties of completing fall assessments and monitoring all infection control documentation and generate the monthly reports in these areas for use in our monthly QA meetings. I would also frequently fill in as a floor RN when short staffed to maintain safe and appropriate staffing levels. I assisted the DON with providing in servicing to the staff and was also responsible for interviewing and hiring certified nursing assistants.

REGISTERED NURSE

Select Care - Taylor, MI

December 2010 to May 2011

I worked as a full time staff nurse at this long term ICU (LTAC) facility. I became familiar in treatment and management of patients in long term, high acuity care. The skills used and learned in this position include the care of patients that have the following various medical interventions: intubation through tracheotomy, sedation, gastric tubes, PICC lines, long term wound care, wound vacs, various intravenous medications and drips to manage infection, seizure, diabetes and medications to maintain blood pressure. We also utilized various different types of restraints in the care of this population. The nurse was also responsible for administering medications IV, PO, IM or via gastric tube. and any ordered blood products according to protocol. Monitoring the mental and neurological status of all patients, many of whom were intubated, had histories of craniotomies with or without bone flap, sepsis or previous traumas. In this facility, as RN's we worked closely with the on staff intensivists who were medical doctors that practice in intensive care medicine exclusively. We were responsible for drawing daily labs on patients that had PICC lines, medi -ports or other long term access. Staff RN'S were also responsible for contacting doctors with daily lab results and any updates/ changes in patient condition.

REGISTERED NURSE

A Line Staffing - Southfield, MI

October 2010 to December 2010

This was a staffing agency position and I worked as a contracted registered nurse through this staffing agency. In this position I traveled to multiple long term acute care facilities and provided care to patients in a high acuity setting. Responsibilities included treatment and management of patients in long term, high acuity care. The skills required and used in this position include the care of patients that have the following various medical interventions: intubation through tracheotomy, sedation, gastric tubes, PICC lines, long term wound care, wound vacs, various intravenous medications and s to manage infection, seizure, diabetes and medications to maintain blood pressure. We also utilized various different types of restraints in the care of this population. The nurse was also responsible for administering medications IV, PO, IM or via gastric tube. and any ordered blood products according to protocol. Monitoring the mental and neurological status of all patients, many of whom were intubated, had histories of craniotomies with or without bone flap, sepsis or previous traumas. In this facility, as RN's we worked closely with the on staff intensivists who were medical doctors that practice in intensive care medicine exclusively. We were responsible for drawing daily labs on patients that had PICC lines, medi -ports or other long term access. Staff RN'S were also responsible for contacting doctors with daily lab results and any updates/ changes in patient condition.

This position led to a full time staff position at one of the facilities that I was working with.

REGISTERED NURSE

Oakwood Healthcare - Dearborn, MI

October 2004 to October 2010

This is the first registered nurse position that I held after completing my ADN/ RN education. The unit I hired into was a post- open heart/ thoracic surgical step-down telemetry unit. Staff nurses were responsible for daily medication administration, assessment of assigned cardiac/ thoracic surgical patients, documentation in EMR, care and monitoring of all surgical incisions, dressing changes, admin of various blood products, monitoring and evaluating telemetry, assisting patients with mobility post op and monitoring chest tube output and changes in respiratory status. Duties also included administering various intravenous cardiac drips and medications including but not limited to Nitroglycerin, Cardizem and Heparin. We also provided thorough patient education upon discharge regarding cardiac medications and post surgical instructions. We were responsible for working closely with care management and social work to provide anything the patient may require before discharge such as medica equipment or oxygen. As a staff nurse in this environment we were to monitor patients condition, lab work, intake and outputs and report to the intensive care doctor or surgeon. Changes in this hospital and our unit provided me with the opportunity to care for patients with variety of different surgical procedures including pre and post cardiac catheterization, permanent pacemaker insertion, carotid edarterectomy and tonsillectomy. I also gained experience in the use of pharmacomechanical catheter- directed thrombolysis (PCDT) using medications such as tissue plasminogen activator or TPA. Experience was also gained with those patients experiencing chest pain and using a chest pain algorithm. This position also provided me the opportunity to assist physicians and surgeons in many different bedside procedures, emergent or otherwise, including hematoma expression, emergent opening of chest incisions, bedside brochoscopy and thoracentesis. In this patient population we also frequently dealt with patient controlled anesthesia, epidurals and the long term care of deep sternal infections and muscle flap surgical procedures.

Education

Bachelor's in Nursing in NURSING

Chamberlain College of Nursing - Downers Grove, IL
August 2016 to April 2019

ASSOCIATES IN SCIENCE in NURSING

Henry Ford Community College - Dearborn, MI
2000 to 2004

Nursing Licenses

RN

Expires: March 2019

State: MI

RN

Expires: May 2020

State: IL

RN

Expires: October 2019

State: IN

Skills

- RN
- Med Surg
- Staff Nurse
- Hospital
- Tube Feeding
- Critical Care Experience
- Acute care
- Medication administration
- EMR systems

Certifications and Licenses

BCLS

January 2018 to January 2020

Additional Information

I currently have my RN, BSN degrees completed. I am enrolled and will begin my Masters Degree education in August 2019.