

# Brianna Bray

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Disciplined, energetic Charge nurse who quickly establishes rapport with patients and colleagues. Patient-focused RN with 8 years of experience on multiple units in a hospital setting. 2 years on a fast-paced multidisciplinary stepdown unit specializing in trauma and post-surgical care. 2.5 years of travel nursing spent between 5 facilities utilizing the diverse set of skills required to care for patients on a Covid Unit, Ortho/Neuro unit, a Tele/Cardiac Monitoring unit as well as floating to Oncology Stepdown, ICU, PCU, ED and Trauma Stepdown. 3 years between Telemetry, Cardiac Monitoring & PCU. And currently Pre-op and PACU nursing in an Orthopedic Surgical Center

## License & Certifications

Registered Nurse in the State of SC, License number 221593

Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification 2013 to Present

Acute Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Certification 2014 to present

NIH Stroke Scale Certified 2014 to present

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

## Work Experience

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### **Pre-op/PACU RN**

Carolina Coast Surgery Center - Myrtle Beach, SC

July 2021 to Present

Caring for patients from Pre-op to Recovery in a Same Day Surgery Center focused on Orthopedics. In pre-op I'm inserting IV's and infusing fluids and meds, administering EKG's, and drawing up and assisting CRNA with nerve blocks using ultrasound. In PACU I recover patients post joint replacement, spinal surgeries, hand surgeries and foot surgeries. Monitoring frequent vital signs, neuro checks, surgical dressings, and administering volume expanding fluids as well as iv medications to treat hypotension, hypertension, bradycardia, and tachycardia. Monitoring for and treating surgical complications such as bleeding and malignant hyperthermia. Also responsible for getting patients out of bed and ambulating before discharge.

### **Travel Float Nurse @ Vidant Medical Ctr**

AMN Healthcare - Greenville, NC

April 2021 to July 2021

3 Months spent floating in the largest hospital in North America, working mainly between the Emergency Department, PCU, Trauma Stepdown, and Oncology Stepdown. Cared for Level 1 trauma patients in the ER as well as the trauma stepdown unit, administering IV infusions, managing central lines, changing wound dressings, maintaining tracheostomies and vents, administering O2 through Hiflo, Bipap, and vents. I also cared for cancer patients administering IV infusions, transporting patients to radiation treatments, maintaining central lines, and using G tubes. Managed the complete care of patients with declining chronic conditions such as heart disease, ESRD, Respiratory diseases, and Diabetes complications on the PCU unit.

## **Travel Covid Nurse**

AMN Healthcare - Decatur, GA

November 2020 to February 2021

Covid Unit floor nurse managing all aspects of care for patients diagnosed with Covid 19 as well as cardiac and respiratory diseases from admission to discharge. Managed Hiflo Oxygen administration as well as BiPap administration. Administered Remdesivir infusions and helped CDC collect research information through the administration of drug trials and collection of time sensitive labs. Exercised cultural competency and used language lines on a daily basis for patients from all over the world including Africa, Asia, and Caribbean Islands.

## **Telemetry RN**

Conway Medical Center - Conway, SC

October 2017 to October 2020

Charge RN for a Telemetry turned Covid Unit. Management and care of cardiac patients with Covid-19 and/or chronic conditions from admission to discharge. Including STEMI patients, post cardiac catheter care and post TEE's & Cardioversions. Identifying acute changes in patients with Sepsis and SIRS and working closely with physicians to initiate interventions as necessary. Monitoring cardiac rhythms and responding to life threatening changes. Patient and family education on disease processes, risk management, signs and symptoms, and prevention. Orienting new hires and mentoring academy nurses as well as leading the floor staff as a Charge Nurse. Utilizing the skills acquired over the years working with a diverse population of patients when floated to other units such as ED, CMU and PCU.

## **Contracted Telemetry RN**

Southeastern Regional Medical Center - Lumberton, NC

April 2017 to October 2017

Contracted telemetry RN with 1 extension and an offer for a fulltime position with SRMC, after 4 contract extensions and an open invitation to return with WMC. As well as most skills listed above, the Management and care of cardiac patients from admission to discharge. Including STEMI patients, post cardiac catheter care, both femoral and radial, and post TEE's & Cardioversions. Management and titration of Cardiac drips such as but not limited to Amiodarone, Cardizem, Dobutamine, and Heparin. Administering cardiac IV push meds Diltiazem, Atropine, Metoprolol, Labetalol, and Apresoline. Monitoring cardiac rhythms and working closely with physicians to initiate interventions as necessary. Patient education on disease processes, risk management, signs and symptoms, and prevention. I am often floated to the ICU when that unit is short staffed as well as the ED to assist with triage and admissions.

## **Travel RN**

Wilson Medical Center - Wilson, NC

April 2016 to April 2017

## **Travel RN**

Parallon - Charleston, SC

November 2015 to April 2016

Building and expanding on the skills and experience I've acquired over the first 2 years to now include Orthopedics and Neuro. The orthopedics unit is a fast-paced unit with high patient turn over, due to short admissions. Managed the care of each patient from arrival to the floor immediately post-op to discharge. Council patients to overcome fear of and encourage early ambulation and mobility. Monitor for and prevent post-op infection and emboli. Pain Management to include but not limited to initiation, usage and discontinuance of PCA pumps and epidurals. Manage and Discontinue JP drains, hemovacs,

penrose drains, and wondvacs. Suture and staple removal as well as dressing changes. Initiation and management of Bucks traction and PROM machines. Several times I was floated to the cardiac unit to assist their staff when short.

### **Trauma RN**

HCA, Inc - Myrtle Beach, SC

August 2013 to August 2015

Used every skill listed above and mastered most on an extremely fast paced unit demanding strong prioritization and time management skills. Large patient load with a high acuity of illness. Treated patients of MVA's /MCA's with head traumas, open and closed fractures, road rash, and Cervical fractures. Treated GSW's, stabbing victims, and post-surgical bellies. Monitored post-op vitals, set up PCA's, managed fluids including PPN and TPN, monitored and removed drains, sutures, and staples. Changed all types of dressings including wound vacs and monitored for infection. Utilized strong assessment skills to determine necessary patient care. Provided health education for patients. Trained new nurses to provide top-quality patient care. Often floating to PCU when staff is shorthanded.

## Education

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### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

Capella University

November 2018 to September 2019

### **Associates of Science in Nursing**

Horry-Georgetown Technical College

August 2010 to June 2013

### **Sports Medicine**

University of North Carolina at Pembroke - Pembroke, NC

August 1997 to February 1999

## Nursing Licenses

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**RN**

**RN**

## Skills

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- Time Management & Prioritization expertise
- Precepting & Mentoring new Nurses
- Ensuring Covid-19 protocols are updated and followed: PPE Maintenance, Assessing Care Needs and Equipment
- Developing Appropriate Nursing Assignments
- Qualifying Admissions & Completing Discharges
- Administering 12 Lead EKG's
- Post Cardiac Catheter care and TR Band Management

- Inserting / Removing Urinary Catheters
- Wound cleaning/care expertise
- Using, Maintaining & Removing Central lines
- Managing, Maintaining & Removing drains.
- Managing & Maintaining chest tubes
- Starting, Titrating & Managing IV drips
- Placing / Removing NG & Dobhoff tubes
- Using & Maintaining PEG tubes
- Tracheotomy suctioning, cleaning and care
- Suture/staple care and removal
- Primary Charge RN
- Pain Management
- Critical Care Experience
- Nursing
- Triage
- Medication Administration
- ICU Experience
- Drawing blood for labs (8 years)

## Languages

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- Spanish - Intermediate

## Certifications and Licenses

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**BLS Certification**

**ACLS Certification**