# KANDACE BALTHAZOR

#### **Registered** Nurse

Patient-focused, compassionate, team-oriented BSN graduate seeking to make a difference and provide quality, evidence-based healthcare as a Registered Nurse through continuous improvement of patient care, education, research, patient advocacy and management in a high reliability organization committed to excellence in patient centered care.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PROVIDENCE	Providence St. Joesph Medical Center, Burbank, CA
Saint loseph	RN ICU
	Februray 2021- April 2021

- Provide care to patients in the intensive care unit with a variety of diagnoses.
- Manage ventilators, hemodynamic monitoring devices and IV pumps.
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary team members to provide effective care to patients.
- Correctly and effectively implement ACLS protocol and manage mulitple life saving drips.

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Alliance Health Midwest City, Midwest City, OK RN COVID ICU

November 2020 - February 2021

- Collaborated with members of the care team to quickly assess COVID-19 patients and provide appropriate interventions to manage rapidly changing conditions
- Managed patients in acute respiratory distress through interventions such as intubation, proning, the administration of sedatives and paralytics, and dialysis
- Collaborate with pulmonologist and respiratory therapist to manage ventilators to stabilize patients as their respiratory status changes
- Effectively maintain proper infection control precautions to ensure safety of staff and others to aid in stopping the spread of COVID-19.

### Ochsner Medical Center, Slidell, LA

- Ochsner Progressive Care RN March 2020 - September 2020
- Provides professional and compassionate care to adult patients in the
- progressive care unit
- Effectively performs assessments to guide the development of the care plan
- Manages drips and medication administration for 4-5 patient assignments
- Collaborate with other members of the interdisciplinary team to provide care
  for patients
- Provides education to patients and families on care plan development

### Tulane Medical Center, New Orleans, LA Critical Care RN, CCU/MICU

Medical Center June 2019 - November 2020

- Provides professional care to adult patients in the Cardiac Care Unit and Medical Intensive Care Unit with myocardial infarctions, angiograms, arrhythmias, DKA, sepsis, anticoagulation therapy, cardioversions, chronic heart failure, post cardiac arrest, ARDS, shock, etc.
- Closely monitor and titrate multiple life-sustaining drips such as Dobutamine, Levophed, Vasopressin, Dopamine, Cardene, Insulin, Cardizem, Amiodarone, Heparin, Tridil, Lasix, etc.
- Manage ventilators, hemodynamic monitoring devices, and IV pumps
- Perform and operate CRRT on patients who cannot receive hemodialysis
- Recover and provide care for patients on Balloon pumps and Impella devices
- Provide education to patients and family members on disease processes and treatments
- Preceptor to incoming nursing graduates and new hires

## **EDUCATION**

**Bachelors of Science, Nursing** William Carey University, February 2019

- Dean List, 2017 2019
- Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, 2018 – Present

# Bachelors of Science, Exercise Science

University of Mississippi, May 2016

### CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSURES

- Multi-State Compact Licensure
- RN, active
- ACLS, active
- BLS, active
- CCRN, active

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Community Impact Day Medical Team, Collins, MS 2015-2020
- Health Fair Coordinator, Hattiesburg, MS 2018
- Field House HIV Awareness Project, Hattiesburg, MS 2018
- Medical Mission, Baatan Province, Philippines 2012, 2014, 2016

### **REFERENCES**

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