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**Profile**

Over 8 years of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nursing experience, specializing in the care of traumatic brain injuries, ischemic stroke, brain hemorrhages, spinal cord injury, complex multisystem trauma, post-surgical and COVID-19 isolation patient populations and their families.

**Professional Experience**

**Medical/Covid ICU**

TriStar Centennial Medical Center

Nashville, TN. March 2021-June 2021

* 741 bed level 1 trauma center, meditech EMR. ICU patient care including Covid isolation, post Covid ECMO, and general medical ICU management. Travel assignment including floating within the CCU, CVICU, Trauma, Surgical and Neuro ICU’s.

**Neurological ICU/ COVID-19 ICU**

St Joseph’s Hospital (Dignity Health System)

Phoenix, AZ. March 2020-Febuary 2021

* Advanced bedside care to the neurological patient population within the Barrows Neurological Institute including complex post neurological surgical patients requiring intercranial pressure monitoring and paralytic deep sedation in a teaching hospital environment
* Cohort Covid ICU isolation patient care including ventilator management with manual proning of intubated patients, proper use of PPE, complex end of life patient and family care during pandemic staffing.

**Surgical/Neurological/Trauma ICU RN**

Mission Hospital (Providence Health System)

Mission Viejo, Ca. May 2013-Febuary 2020

* Providing bedside care to the critically ill ICU patient at an advanced trauma center and comprehensive stroke center. Development of strong physical assessment, time management and prioritization skills including the ability to stay calm and intervene effectively in a crisis situation
* In-depth knowledge of adult critical care environment including the management of FloTrac hemodynamic monitoring, therapeutic hypothermia, RotoProne bed therapy, intercranial pressure monitoring including EVD, Camino, and Licox brain tissue oxygen monitoring, including management in the OR and IR settings. Insertion and trainer for of post pyloric small bore feeding tubes at the bedside.
* A proven ability to develop positive relationships with patients and their family members, including physicians and other medical professions as evidenced by a leadership role precepting/mentoring new graduate nurses, detailed orientation for advanced patient care, and compassionate end of life care.
* Actively participate in hospital performance and improvement activities under a Shared Governance model. Focusing on quality patient care improvement related to skin health and pressure related breakdown prevention including quarterly CALNOC pressure ulcer and restraint P&I study and weekly unit rounding.

**License & Certifications**

* California State RN License, expires 6/2022
* Arizona Compact State License, expires 4/2024
* Current ACLS/BLS
* NIHSS, American Heart Association
* Fundamentals of Critical Care Class 1/2019

**Education**

* Bachelors of Science Nursing, Western Governor’s University, Class of 2021
* Associate Degree in Nursing, Saddleback Community College, December 2012
* Associate Degree in Health Sciences, Saddleback Community College, June 2009

**Work History**

**Laboratory Assistant II**

Mission Hospital (St Joseph Health System) Mission Viejo, Ca. May 2009- May 2013

* 4 years of in-hospital experience collecting blood specimens by using venipuncture finger stick, and/or heel stick.  Knowledge of various techniques in collecting specimens on different patient populations including trauma, geriatric, pediatric and newborn phlebotomy. Specimen receiving and processing using accurate and timely communication with nurses and other members of the health care team. Trainer for employee pediatric phlebotomy, student clinical hours and new hire orientation.

**In Home Design Consultant & Labor Coordinator**

Calico Corners (Everfast Inc.) Costa Mesa, Ca.  August 2001-June 2008

* Utilizing design knowledge, professional sales techniques, strong communication skills, working accurately and in a timely manner to providing residential design solutions for customers in home and on store premises.
* Labor Coordinator involving overseeing the timely process of outgoing orders, managing quality control, and ensuring customer satisfaction. Utilization of strong organizational ability, interpersonal and written communication involving account management, creative problem solving, and the ability to work independently or as part of a team.

**References**

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