

BRIGID BARTON, RN, BSN

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PROFILE

Dedicated, empathetic and self-motivated nurse with five years of healthcare experience working with physicians, nursing teams and ancillary staff to ensure the highest level of care for patients with a wide range of conditions and illnesses.

✍ Provides emotional support to patients and their families during recovery and crisis situations; builds strong interpersonal rapport to put them at ease during high-stress circumstances. ✍

Effectively delivers in-depth patient and family education regarding patient diagnosis, treatment and standard/specialized medical procedures.

✍ Easily adapts to diverse illnesses and conditions; known for solid decisions using good judgment.

✍ Strong critical thinking, patient assessment, diagnostic evaluation and organizational skills. ✍

Compassionate, ethical and empathetic; effectively works with all types of people.

Professional Credentials:

> Registered Nurse #041440668 – Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation >

Registered Nurse #979125 – Texas Board of Nursing

> Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Certification – American Heart Association >

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Certification – American Heart Association > Basic

Life Support (BLS) Certification – American Heart Association

> Emergency Communication Registered Nurse (ECRN) – Region VII EMS

> Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC) – Emergency Nursing Association

EDUCATION

GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY, University Park, Illinois

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, 7/2020

- Recipient of High Honors (semester) and recognized on the Dean's List of Honor Students.

PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE, Chicago Heights, Illinois

Associate Degree in Nursing, 5/2015

- Recipient of the Southland Healthcare Forum Nursing Grant.

EXPERIENCE

FRANCISCAN HEALTH OLYMPIA FIELDS, Olympia Fields, Illinois **4/2018 to Present PRN Nurse: Emergency Room**

Triage and stabilize pediatric, adult and geriatric patients, caring for patients with orthopedic, cardiac/MI or OB-GYN crises, head-spinal injuries, CVA/seizure, COPD/asthma, sickle cell episodes, drug overdoses, bone fractures, infectious diseases and other emergent conditions. •

Handle trauma and cardiac arrest patients; provide basic/advanced life support, pain management and emergency treatment medical care.

- Responsible for pain management, hemodynamic monitoring, endotracheal and tracheostomy care, and gastric lavage on overdose/poisoned patients.
- Assist with arrest codes, including defibrillation, and stabilize acute myocardial patients; insert IVs, NG tubes and catheters.
- Stabilize acute myocardial patients and work with interventional cardiologist and cardiac cath team to ensure that door-to-balloon time within hospital standards.
- Assess vitals, formulate care plans and administer oral, injection and IV medication, GT/NGTs, catheters and EKGs.

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Practicing Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (on call)

Provide assessment, documentation and laboratory sampling for victims and perpetrators of sexual assault and abuse, collecting vital information and evidence used in criminal investigations/cases.

- Conduct thorough forensic examinations with consideration to patient trauma as well as suspicious injuries and behaviors of suspected perpetrators.
- Record all signs of abuse and assault-related injuries, collect laboratory samples and process evidence in alignment with precise legally and medically sound practices.
- Provide STD/HIV education and administer prophylactic medications to survivors. • Coordinate case-related issues with police, victim services and DCFS as needed.

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD, Chicago, Illinois 8/2019 to 4/2021 Care Coordinator UM/CM I

Provide comprehensive assessment, planning, implementation and overall evaluation to identify individual patient needs while performing utilization management and case management for complex cases. Responsible for effectively advancing the plan of care and reducing length-of-stay (based on national criteria) for the patient population across the continuum of care through the implementation of case management, concurrent review/management and discharge planning.

Member of the AWS Team and key participant/support staff for the EMR and SRU Teams.

- Facilitate the delivery of comprehensive, high-quality healthcare, cost-effective outcomes and consistency in care management interventions.
- Facilitate utilization review, i.e. auditing inpatient medical and behavioral health admissions for clients/patients of various intensity.
- Examine patient cases to determine appropriateness for hospitalization and perform pre certifications and concurrent reviews.
- Maintain HIPAA-compliant case records and ensure procedural and documentary adherence to federal government, state and ACHC regulations.
- Stay abreast of new and changing healthcare laws, regulations and standards

RIVERSIDE MEDICAL CENTER, Kankakee, Illinois 7/2016 to 4/2018 Staff Nurse: Emergency Room

Assessed, triaged and admitted patients; prepared patients for operating room procedures, transportation to Level I facilities and discharge. Attended to patients with a range of conditions: assessing vitals, administering medications, changing dressings, monitoring patient condition and maintaining records. Responsibilities similar to role at Franciscan Health Olympia Fields.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Advanced SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) Certificate – Office of the Attorney General of Illinois/International Association of Forensic Nurses
- Adult/Adolescent SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) Certificate – Office of the Attorney General of Illinois/International Association of Forensic Nurses
- Forensic Photography & Crime Laboratory Certificate – Illinois State Police Department of Forensic Services
- Desensitized to Death: Implementation, Assessment & Prosecution of Strangulation Crimes – Illinois Law Enforcement Training & Standards Board
- Victim Services Agency Workshop – YCARES

AFFILIATIONS

American Nurses Association, Member 2021-Present

American Nurses Association of Illinois, Member 2021-Present

COMPUTER SKILLS

Epic EMR, Siemens Soarian EMR, Smart UM, MCG, Microsoft Office (Word, Excel & PowerPoint)