**Chandra Smith**

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**EDUCATION AND HONORS**

* **Masters of Science in Nursing,** March 2017

Olivet Nazarene University

GPA 3.475/4.0

* **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**, May 2012

**Minor in Human Development**

Rockford University, Rockford, IL

GPA 3.28 / 4.0

* Dean’s Award Recipient, Rockford College, Fall 2008 – Spring 2012
* Nursing Scholarship Program Recipient, HRSA.GOV, Fall 2015 – Spring 2017
* Nursing Scholarship Program Recipient, HRSA.GOV, Fall 2010 – Spring 2012

**LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS**

* Full Practice Authority Family Nurse Practitioner, AANP Board Certified, August 2022, State of Illinois
* Family Nurse Practitioner, AANP Board Certified, August 2022, State of Wisconsin
* Registered Nurse, Illinois and Wisconsin, Expires June 2022
* DEA, Illinois and Wisconsin
* BLS certification, January 2021

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Director of Medical Services: Primary Care, Integrative and Functional Medicine,** Life Balance Medical Center, Roscoe, IL, July 2020 - Present

* Develops and implements patient management policies and procedures to ensure safety and best practice within the organization.
* Provides direct clinical supervision to all medical providers and services.
* Monitors and oversees all daily operational processes for medical services including supply purchases, expense reviews, inventory and equipment for primary and esthetic procedures.
* Identifies process improvement opportunities and presents resolutions and recommendations to the clinic leadership team.
* Obtain patient medical history, perform comprehensive physical examination to formulate a diagnosis and treatment plan for acute, episodic and chronic illnesses with the goal of effectively managing and improve patient’s overall health.
* Maintain accurate records and provide health education to patients relating to medical conditions.
* Facilitate referrals to other healthcare services and professionals as needed.
* Provides wellness and preventive care, with the singular goal of optimizing the health of each and every patient.
* Develop patient centered care plans based around understanding the prevention, management and root cause of complex chronic disease with integrative and holistic comprehensive approaches.
* Initiate IV nutritional support through administration of minerals, vitamins and nutrients.
* Administer trigger point, small and large joint, PRP and Stem Cell injections to stimulate healing.

**Advanced Disease Management and Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner,** Promedica, Rockford,IL Madison,WI, January 2020 - Present

* Provides expertise in a consultative role to patients with advanced disease requiring palliative services in accordance with state specific nurse practice law
* Working under a collaborative practice agreement with the hospice Medical Director/Team Physician, collaborates with the medical director, attending physician, specialists and non-physician providers as applicable for the purpose of coordination of care to effectively meet the medical, psychological and spiritual needs of the patient and to promote continuity of care.
* Initiates treatment of physical symptoms and pain management related to chronic or terminal illness
* Conducts comprehensive or episodic health assessments and develops patient care plans, aids in establishing advanced directives and establishes goals of care related to progressive illness
* Orders and interprets tests, treatments, and therapies within the scope of practice
* Prescribes medications, including controlled substances, to the extent delegated including non-pharmacologic treatment modalities
* Orders, interprets, and performs laboratory and other diagnostic tests and procedures
* Provides clear, concise, and accurate information in the electronic medical record

**Adjunct Nursing Instructor,** Rasmussen College, Rockford, IL, August 2017 – Present

* Facilitates highly effective and engaging learning environments in various teaching modalities while meeting the diverse needs of learners
* Creates and maintains course materials in compliance with college and regulatory requirements
* Assess student learning, provide feedback and support, and refer student for additional support when necessary

**Hospice and Palliative Care Nurse Practitioner,** Unity Hospice, Rochelle, IL, January 2018 – August 2020

* Provides expertise in a consultative role to patients with advanced disease requiring palliative services in accordance with state specific nurse practice law
* Working under a collaborative practice agreement with the hospice Medical Director/Team Physician, collaborates with the medical director, attending physician, specialists and non-physician providers as applicable for the purpose of coordination of care to effectively meet the medical, psychological and spiritual needs of the patient and to promote continuity of care
* Initiates treatment of physical symptoms and pain management related to chronic or terminal illness
* Conducts comprehensive or episodic health assessments and develops patient care plans, aids in establishing advanced directives and establishes goals of care related to progressive illness
* Works in collaboration with the palliative care physician to establish and meet the goals of care, coordinate with the attending physician and make recommendations to the attending physician for ongoing treatment plans
* Identifies and documents medical necessity for home/facility encounters, including appropriateness for initiating services, timing/necessity of follow up encounters, and appropriateness for hospice evaluation and/or discharge from practice
* Facilitates end-of-life discussions and fluent transitions to hospice
* Orders and interprets tests, treatments, and therapies within the scope of practice
* Prescribes medications, including controlled substances, to the extent delegated including non-pharmacologic treatment modalities
* Orders, interprets, and performs laboratory and other diagnostic tests and procedures
* Provides clear, concise, and accurate information in the electronic medical record
* Initiates and performs consultations in accordance with company rules and regulations
* Completes and documents an accurate history and physical examination of patients
* Makes appropriate referrals to other healthcare professionals and/or agencies
* Works collaboratively with collaborating physician, department, and other members of the healthcare team in an effective and comprehensive manner

**RN Case Manager, RN On-Call/Triage,** Heartland Hospice, Rockford, IL, December 2013 – February 2018

* Overseeing after hours staff and resources among multiple offices while assisting patients in crisis situations
* Organizing and coordinating resources and services in response to individual healthcare needs along the illness and care continuum and in multiple settings
* Centering services around the patient, to foster patient self-managed care, and maximize efficient and cost-effective use of health resources
* Coordinates care and services, case finding, screening, eligibility, determination; comprehensive assessment; development, monitoring, and evaluation of the plan of care and use of resources and arrangement of services to reach outcomes in specific time frames

**Medical-Surgical/Renal Charge Nurse,** Rockford Memorial Hospital, Rockford, IL, January 2013 – November 2017

* Provide clinically competent care to patients that achieves expected outcomes and integrates care across the continuum
* Analyze, monitor and report significant findings or changes in patient conditions
* Coordinates and oversees patient care delivered with an interdisciplinary approach
* Review, update and follow individual patient’s plan of care
* Utilizes the nursing process including assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation
* Provide patient’s with education on an understandable level to increase health outcomes
* Participates in continuous quality improvement activities and educational experiences in support of departmental and divisional nursing objectives
* Administer medications, as ordered by the physician, using the six rights
* Document in clinical record appropriately
* Supervises, instructs and assists nursing support staff in patient care activities

**School Nurse,** Harlem School District #122, Machesney Park, IL, March 2015-July 2016

* provide for health-related needs of all students
* responds to emergency and first aid needs of students and staff
* assist with maintenance of cumulative health records on all students
* administer medication with appropriate documentation in accordance with school board policy
* maintain communication with the district-wide certified school nurse, and other school personnel, to enhance cooperative action that will enhance the health and safety needs of students
* assist district-wide certified school nurse with medical 504 plans

**Skilled Rehabilitation Nurse Supervisor,** P.A. Peterson, Rockford, IL, October 2012 – March 2014

* Utilizes the nursing process including assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation
* Collaborate with patients and staff to formulate recovery and discharge planning
* Oversee and directs nursing support staff
* Formulate and carry out individualized nursing plan of care
* Document in clinical record appropriately

**Sub-Acute Care Nurse**, Alden-Debes, Rockford, IL, August 2012 – December 2012

* Collaborate with patient’s to formulate recovery and discharge planning
* Monitor and evaluate patient’s progression through recovery process
* Effectively reinforce relief measure using both pharmacological and non-pharmacological means
* Coordinate patient care with all members of the nursing team
* Promote lifestyle changes and provide educational material related to current illness and recovery needs
* Analyze, monitor and report significant findings or change in patient condition while performing daily assessments
* Provide patient treatments following physician orders including: wound care, dialysis, tracheostomy care, PEG/PEJ care and placement verification

**ACTIVITIES**

* Code Pink Educational Video Recreation and Revision, Rockford Memorial Hospital, Fall 2011
* Blood Culture Contamination Quality Improvement Participant, Rockford Memorial Hospital, Spring 2012
* Unity Hospice Triage RN program development, training and implementation, Unity Hospice, August 2018
* Initiative Committee Member, Unity Hospice, March 2019
* Code Committee Member, Unity Hospice, March 2019