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Highlights

- Highly-skilled registered nurse with extensive knowledge and experience in:
- Employee Corporate Occupational Health
- Ambulatory Care
- Medical/ Surgical nursing
- Gastroenterology
- HIV/AIDS care
- Behavioral Health
- Chemical Dependency
- Oncology
- Excellent intrapersonal skills
- Analytical thinker
- Effective communication with diverse patient populations
- Perceptive and respectful of patient needs
- Collaborates with medical team to improve clinical outcomes and treatment modalities
- Places emphasis on patient centered care and education
- Able to problem-solve and multitask efficiently
- Proficient in **EPIC, Cerner EMR, Cority, Microsoft Word**

Education

- Rush University College of Nursing, Bachelor of Science in Nursing
 - Chicago, IL 12/1998

Work Experience

Rush University Medical Center **Employee Corporate Health Service** **Chicago, IL**

12/2019-01/2021

- *Facilitated onboarding process for new employees, resident physicians and volunteers*
- *Performed bloodborne pathogen exposure assessment, treatment and follow-up*
- *Processed workmen's compensation injuries*
- *Assessed, monitored and treated employee illness and injuries to determine fitness for duty to return to work*
- *Counseled and educated employees on physical and mental health issues and provided appropriate community health resource referrals*

- *Processed departmental employee transfers*
- *Participated in preventative screening programs (e.g. TB skin test, influenza, hepatitis B, MMR, varicella)*
- *Administered required immunizations for employee compliance as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC)*
- *Performed **Covid-19** testing by PCR and rapid Point of Care (POC)*
- *Triaged employee exposure to Covid-19*
- *Provided **Covid-19** education, prevention and resources*
- *Utilized **Epic** EMR and **Cority** Occupational Health software*

Med-Call Staffing Agency
University of Chicago, Primary Care Clinic
 Chicago, IL
 4/2019-11/2019

- *Triaged and prioritized calls in a fast-paced Primary care setting*
- *Responded to MyChart patient email messages*
- *Refilled patient prescriptions*
- *Collaborated with a panel of multiple physicians, advance practice nurse and social worker to coordinate patient care*
- *Initiate home health care services and facilitate the process of durable medical equipment in the community*
- *Processed prior authorizations medication, medical supplies and procedures*
- *Worked directly with commercial insurance companies, Medicare and Medicaid to process claims*
- *Provided patient education*
- *Administered injections*
- *Utilized **EPIC** for charting and clinical documentation*

Med-call Staffing Agency
Northwestern Medicine, Digestive Health Clinic
 Chicago, IL
 01/2019-03/2019

- *Coordinated scheduling for General Surgery and Colorectal Surgery and post-operative appointments*
- *Triaged patient calls and MyChart messages*
- *Processed prior authorizations for specialty medications*

- Completed FMLA and Short-term Disability forms
- Provided individualized plan of care and patient education
- Refilled medications
- Collaborated with the health care team to improve patient outcomes
- Utilized **EPIC** for charting and clinical documentation
- Entered orders for surgery, procedures, referrals, labs and medical supplies

Med-Call Staffing Agency
Northwestern Medicine, Endocrinology Clinic

Chicago, IL

10/2018-01/2019

- Provided specialized care for patients with a wide variety of endocrinological diseases
- Triage patient calls and MyChart messages
- Provided patient education
- Refilled prescribed medication
- Entered orders for diagnostic testing, procedures and labs
- Coordinated home delivery for diabetic supplies with medical supply distributors
- Administered injections
- Utilized **EPIC** for charting and clinical documentation

Med-Call Staffing Agency
Northwestern Medicine, Pulmonary Clinic

Chicago, IL

09/2018-10/2018

- Triage patient calls and responded to MyChart messages
- Refilled prescribed medication
- Provided education for patients with diverse chronic illnesses with emphasis on lifestyle changes and disease process
- Demonstrated use of inhalers, nebulizers and breathing devices for patient education
- Coordinated home delivery for oxygen and medication supplies with medical supply distributors
- Processed prior authorizations for medications and home supplies
- Entered orders, for labs, referrals, procedures and medical supplies
- Utilized **EPIC** for charting and clinical documentation

Med-Call Staffing
University of Chicago, Huron Clinic

Chicago, IL

05/2018-08/2019

- **Department of Medicine**

- *Provided direct patient care in multi-specialty ambulatory clinic: Primary Care, Endocrinology; Rheumatology, Gastroenterology, Cardiology and Sleep Medicine*
- *Triaged and prioritized incoming calls and messages*
- *Completed Short Term Disability and FMLA forms*
- *Collaborated with members of the health team to coordinate patient care*
- *Functioned as a liaison between physicians, patients and family members*
- *Administered vaccines, biologic medications and infusions*
- *Initiated patient education on medications and treatments*
- *Refilled medications*
- *Processed insurance prior authorizations and appeals*
- *Downloaded data from diabetic Continuous Glucose Monitoring devices*
- *Performed EKG's*
- *Utilized **EPIC** for electronic charting and clinical documentation*

University of IL, Medical Center

Chicago, IL

11/2017-1/2018

- **Gastroenterology Lab and Diagnostic Center**
 - Performed multifaceted care in inpatient endoscopy setting
 - Rotated in all aspects of direct patient care
 - Provided applicable knowledge to broaden patient awareness regarding disease process and prevention
 - Triaged patient calls and messages
 - Utilized **Cerner/EMR** application for clinical documentation

Presence Saint Mary and Saint Elizabeth Hospital

Chicago, IL

12/2016-7/2017

- **Center for Digestive Care and Diseases**
 - Provided care and education for patients in fast-paced gastroenterology lab.
 - Worked in all levels of care: admissions, perioperative and patient recovery
 - Participated in diagnostic and therapeutic procedures such as ERCP, EGD, colonoscopy and PEG insertion
 - Administered conscious sedation following SGNA policies and procedures
 - Interpreted EKG rhythms and capnography waveforms
 - Involved in fall committees and high-risk patient populations
 - Utilized **EPIC/EMR** for clinical documentation
 - Coordinated staffing and delegated assignments

Presence Saint Joseph Hospital

Chicago, IL

12/2005-12/2016

- **Behavioral Health and Chemical Substance Abuse Unit**
 - Provided care for acute chronic and geriatric psychiatric patient population
 - Admitted patients and verified medical history
 - Utilized **EPIC/EMR** for charting and medication administration

- Lead group therapy and 12-step meetings
- Managed patient care during acute detox phase
- Educated patients on effects and interactions of medications
- Conducted utilization review during patient length of stay
- Coordinated patient resources prior to discharge
- Practiced Crisis Intervention (CPI) for the violent patient

Presence Saint Joseph Hospital

Chicago IL

09/2005-04/2014

- **Gastroenterology Lab**
 - Rendered clinical care throughout all phases of pre-operative, intraoperative and post-care
 - Verified patient medication and medical history with **EPIC/EMR** charting
 - Collected lab specimens during procedures
 - Administered conscious sedation with adherence to SGNA guidelines
 - Provided physician assistance as a lab technician during procedures
 - Triage incoming calls
 - Provided patient education with emphasis on preventative health care

Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation

Chicago IL

04/2003-09/2005

- **Department of Gynecological Cancers**
 - Administered chemotherapy at outpatient infusion center
 - Managed access and care of central lines
 - Called in prescriptions
 - Performed telephone triage
 - Alerted physician of patient decompensation and worsening symptoms
 - Collaborated with health care team to discuss treatment effectiveness and options

Resurrection St. Joseph Hospital

Chicago IL

09/2002-04/2004

- **Medical-Surgical Unit**
 - Provided complex care to a diverse patient population including HIV/AIDS, hematology/oncology, and renal patients
 - Administered chemotherapy, blood products, antibiotics and TPN
 - Managed and maintained central lines
 - Educated patients regarding antiretroviral medication regimens and compliance

Howard Brown Community Health Center

Chicago IL

12/2001-08/2002

- Delivered care at LGBT community agency specializing in HIV/AIDS, infectious diseases, and women's healthcare
- Conducted telephone triage
- Performed phlebotomy for clinic and National Institute of Health research studies

- Provided counseling for HIV testing

Illinois Masonic Medical Center, Medical Unit

Chicago, IL

02/1999-12/2001

- Provided complex care on dedicated HIV/AIDS unit
- Administered multiple medications, blood products, antibiotics, TPN and tube feedings

Certifications

- BLS