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Objective – a challenging position in the field of nursing with the ability to provide critical care and employ life saving techniques.

Professional Experience

ICU RN: April 2018 - Present

SHHS St. Elizabeth's Hospital; O'Fallon, Illinois

Primary responsibilities include the treatment and care of patients in critical condition (including Covid positive patients). Primary care consisting of; but not limited to: the administration of medications, ventilator care, inotropic drug titration, phlebotomy, assisting with intubating patients, sedation and restraint of patients, monitoring of vital signs and patient response, accurate charting, completion of paperwork, responding to patient codes and reporting patient conditions to the oncoming staff.

Specialty skills include CRRT, EKOS and initiating and maintaining hypothermia protocol.

Major Accomplishment: Daisy award winner in 2019.

Organ Procurement Coordinator: April 2018 - Present

Mid-America Transplant; St. Louis, Missouri.

PRN Organ Procurement Coordinator coverage

Organ Procurement Coordinator: December 2008 - April 2018

Mid-America Transplant; St. Louis, Missouri.

Primary responsibilities include triaging incoming referral calls and delegating responses, complete and total care of organ donors in both brain dead and DCD within an ICU setting. Application of care includes, but is not limited to: meeting with donor family to review and record complete donor medical history, making on-site clinical determinations for donor stability for transport, medicine administration, transportation of donor to the MidAmerica Transplant medical facility, maintaining clinical stability and bedside management during donation process, obtaining cultures and labs, maintaining communication with transplant centers throughout the entire donation process, following UNOS guidelines in allocating all transplantable organs with appropriate recipients, setting operation schedules to accommodate multiple transplant centers and procuring surgeons, finalizing any travel preparations for staff and organ deployment as needed, operating room care, and proper processing and packaging of organs for delivery to hospitals according to UNOS standards.

Secondary responsibilities include meticulous donor chart entry, financial review of all charges during donor care, maintaining respectful and professional relationship with all hospital staff and transplant surgeons, routinely assessing protocols in order to better outcomes, hospital staff relations and education, participation in various MidAmerica Transplant committees, prepare donor packets, manage referral response time reports on a monthly basis and volunteer in various MidAmerica Transplant educational settings.

Major accomplishments: Completed fly-out training, completed training for preservation, completed training for node procurement, percutaneous liver biopsies, central line placement, arterial line placement, bronchoscopies and completed CPTC certification.

Neuro ICU Magnet Registered Nurse: 2006 - November 2008

Barnes Jewish Hospital; St. Louis, Missouri.

Primary responsibilities include the treatment and care of patients in critical condition due to various neurological ailments. Primary care consisting of, but not limited to: the administration of medications, assisting in the penetration or removal of the skull to alleviate swelling and bleeding, intubating patients, neurological response testing, sedation and restraint of patients, monitoring of vital signs and patient response, accurate charting, completion of paperwork, responding to patient codes and reporting patient conditions to the oncoming staff.

Secondary responsibilities include acting as charge nurse on various shifts, assisted nurse's aides with various patient responsibilities, assisting other nurses with their primary care duties and precepting new student nurses of the duties and responsibilities they will be accepting as full-time nurses.

Major accomplishments: In rotation of primary care for a patient suffering from the West Nile Virus, including administering FDA approved test medication. Assisted in the care and treatment of multiple MidAmerica Transplant donor patients.

Education

Associates in Nursing 2003 - 2006

Southwestern Illinois College – Accelerated Registered Nursing program