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| **Professional Summary** | Diligent Nursing professional with experience in a busy Level 1 Trauma Center. Ensuring high standards of culturally competent care for a wide variety of patients with diverse needs. Ability to interact professionally with a multi-disciplinary team of physicians, nurses and other team members to provide both routine and emergent care and comfort to patients. Proven ability to remain calm under pressure and skillfully handle difficult cases in a fast-paced, high pressure environment. Caring and compassionate person who recognizes the priority of being a patient advocate and has a dedicated work ethic. |

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| **Skills** | |  |  | | --- | --- | | * Patient and family advocacy * Provide acute care/emergency response at busy Level 1 Trauma center * Accurate, timely charting | * Follows AORN standards of care for perioperative patients * Effectively communicates with patients, teammates and physicians * Anticipates the needs of the patient, physician and anesthesiologist | |

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| **Work History** | Registered Nurse, Operating Room |Aya Healthcare – San Diego, CA  01/2021-current     * Work as a traveler in the OR as a Circulating RN * Advocated for patient during surgeries and managed all necessary care in operating room * Effectively communicates and functions as a team member during times of stress and crisis situations * Performed the role of Circulating Nurse in a variety of cases including Neuro, Ortho, Transplant, General Surgery and Level 1 Traumas * Cared for specimens and cultures as directed * Assured OR readiness by maintaining stringent quality standards, safety precautions and maintaining sterility of surgical area throughout the case   Registered Nurse, Operating Room  |   UPMC Presbyterian - Pittsburgh, PA 07/2017 – 01/2021   * Advocated for patient during surgeries and managed all necessary care in operating room * Effectively communicates and functions as a team member during times of stress and crisis situations * Collaborated closely with patient's surgical team such as anesthesiologist and surgeon throughout surgery process * Spoke to patient's family members and loved ones, offering support and providing information regarding surgery * Trained new nurses in proper techniques, care standards, operational procedures and safety protocols to optimize performance and safety * Performed the role of Circulating Nurse in a variety of cases including Neuro, Ortho, Transplant, General Surgery and Level 1 Traumas * Cared for specimens and cultures as directed * Assured OR readiness by maintaining stringent quality standards, safety precautions and maintaining sterility of surgical area throughout the case   Registered Nurse  |   UPMC Mercy - Pittsburgh, PA 10/2015 - 07/2017   * Delivered medications via oral, IV and intramuscular injections, monitoring responses to catch and address new concerns * Chronic and acute patient care in Neuro/Trauma unit, adeptly handling all aspects of treatment from comprehensive neuro exams to medications to wound care and monitoring of 5-7 patients per shift * Experienced in Neuro Step down level care, requiring increased level of monitoring/intervention of 1-3 patients per shift * Instructed patients and family members on proper discharge care * Accurately recorded all interactions in medical charts, documenting * Helped patients achieve higher standards of living through effective ADL coaching and assistance * accidents and interventions applied * Educated patients and answered questions about health condition, prognosis and treatment |

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| **Education** | Community College of Allegheny County, Pittsburgh, PA 2015  Associate of Science: Nursing |

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| **Certifications** | * Registered Nurse in Pennsylvania, License number RN673058, 2015 * Registered Nurse in South Carolina, License number 258041, 2021 (multi- state privilege to practice) * Healthcare provider BLS |