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## **BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATIONS**

- Recent successful COVID-19 crisis response as Critical Care Nurse
  - Webster, Texas at Clearlake Regional Medical Center (**HCA**) with Angel Staffing, Inc.  
Deployment date: August 25, 2020- May 1, 2021
  - San Antonio, Texas at Baptist Medical Center (**Tenet**) and Del Rio, Texas at Valverde Regional Medical Center with Krucial Staffing  
Deployment dates: June 26, 2020 – August 14, 2020
  - New York at North Central Bronx (**NYC Health + Hospitals**) with Krucial Staffing  
Deployment dates: April 17, 2020 – May 12, 2020
- Current Secretary-elect (from December 2019- December 2020) and active member of Emergency Nurses Association Rio Bravo Chacalacas (Rio Grande Valley Area). Our mission is to promote emergency nursing in the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas and to provide emergency nursing educational opportunities. Active member of Texas State and National Council since June 2017.
- Trauma and Allied Systems Committee (TRAC-V) member/ volunteer under Trauma Care Systems Committee. A multi-community participation in providing trauma care. Ensuring the most efficient, consistent, and expeditious care for everyone who experiences an acute injury. This agency works in conjunction with Rio Grande Valley Healthcare Preparedness Coalition and trauma regionals systems across Texas State. Participation Dates: June 2018- July 2019.

## **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

Emergency Department (seven years of Emergency/ Trauma Nursing experience),  
Current ER Nurse Director, Trauma Nurse Coordinator, Intensive Care Unit, Education  
Specialist, Medical-Surgical, Obstetrics-Gynecology, and Pediatrics

## **EDUCATION**

- Master of Science in Nursing- Leadership and Management  
*Western Governors University- Texas*
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
*University of Cebu-Banilad Campus  
Gov. Cuenco Ave. Banilad, Cebu City*

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSE**

Texas BON Registered Nurse – License No. 776589

*Current- January 31, 2023*

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Valley Baptist Micro Hospital- Weslaco

*Emergency Department Charge RN*

*February 2020- present*

Knapp Medical Center- Weslaco

*Emergency and Trauma Nursing Director*

*August 2019-January 2020*

Valley Baptist Medical Center- Brownsville

*Trauma Coordinator*

*June 2018- July 2019*

Valley Baptist Medical Center- Brownsville

*Education Specialist- Critical Care, ED, Tele, and Cath Lab*

*October 2015 to June 2018*

Altus Baytown Hospital/ Baytown, Texas

*Emergency Room Nurse and PRN House Supervisor*

*October 2014 to June 2016*

Houston Methodist Hospital San Jacinto / Baytown, Texas

*Critical Care Nurse, RN II Full Time*

*January 2015 to January 2016*

Houston Methodist Hospital San Jacinto/ Baytown, Texas

*Emergency Department, RN II Full Time*

*and PRN Charge Nurse*

*August 2009 to January 2015*

East Houston Regional Medical Center/ Houston, Texas

*Emergency Department, RN PRN*

*May 2012 to October 2014*

Kindred Healthcare/ Baytown, Texas

*Intensive Care Unit/ Monitored Observation Unit Nurse Part Time*

*and PRN Charge Nurse*

*March 2010 to December 2012*

Private Nursing/ Lapu-lapu, Philippines

*Working for a Japanese Accredited Insurance Physician (Dr. Roel B. Banzon) Part Time RN*

*October 2006 to April 2009*

Mactan Doctor's Hospital/ Lapu-lapu, Philippines  
*Rotated in different Areas: ER, ICU, Med-Surg, OB-Gyne and Pediatrics Department*  
*Registered Nurse Full Time and PRN Charge Nurse*  
*July 2006 to April 2009*

### **TRAININGS AND CERTIFICATIONS**

- ENA - State and Chapter Leaders Orientation 2020 (4- day training for core officers of 2020 for Local and National Level)
- Trauma Care After Resuscitation (TCAR)
- Pediatric Care After Resuscitation (PCAR)
- Trauma Outcomes and Performance Improvement Course
- Stop the Bleed Instructor
- American Heart Association BLS and PALS Instructor
- Acute and Critical Care Adult- CCRN Certification
- Current BLS, ACLS, and PALS Certified
- Current Trauma Nursing Core Course
- Current Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course
- Vascular Access Device Selection, Insertion and Management Online Course
- Satori Alternatives for Managing Aggression (SAMA) Facilitator
- IELTS British Council Exam Passer

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Emergency Nurses Association Member & Core Officer- *Rio Bravo Chacalacas Chapter*
- Trauma Multidisciplinary and M&M Review Committee- *VBMC Brownsville*
- Trauma and Allied Systems Committee- *TRAC-V*
- Rio Grande Valley Healthcare Preparedness Coalition- *RGVHPC*
- Emergency Preparedness, Emergency, Stroke, Sepsis Committee- *VBMC Brownsville*
- Texas Trauma Coordinators Forum Member
- Current member of American Association of Critical- Care Nurse (AACN)
- PI and Quality Team- *Altus Baytown Hospital*
- Member of DNV Accreditation Team and Policy Creation/ Strategist  
*- Altus Baytown Hospital*
- Peer Review Committee- *Altus Baytown Hospital*
- Nursing Shared Governance- *HMSJH*
- Critical Care Staff Committee- *HMSJH*
- ED Excellence Team and Stroke Committee – *HMSJH*

### **SYMPOSIUMS AND SEMINARS**

- 2nd Annual South Texas Comprehensive Health Care Symposium 2019
- 10th Annual Southwest Trauma & Acute Care Symposium 2018
- Stop the Bleed Instructor Course 2018
- Annual Stroke Symposium 2017
- NTI Critical Care Expo 2016
- Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump Course Provider/Instructor

- Emergency Severity Index (Accurate Resource Allocation in the Emergency Department)  
Course Instructor
- Basic and Advance 12 Lead EKG
- Critical Care Course: Open Heart- Walter O'Hara, Jr, MD
- Basic and Advance Hemodynamic Monitoring: Concepts for Critical Care Nurse

