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**Barnes Jewish Hospital, *Cardiac* *ICU Registered Nurse*** (St. Louis, MO)July 2019- Current

* Care for cardiogenic shock patients requiring Impellas and Intra-Aortic Balloon pumps
* Experience in cooling and rewarming post cardiac arrest patients with therapeutic hypothermia
* Confident administering NMB agents and BIS/Train of Four monitoring devices
* Experience in utilizing Pulmonary artery catheters for hemodynamic measurements and FICK calculations
* Manage immediate pre-op and post-op cardiac catheterization patients with arterial and venous sheaths
* Assist in the team effort of defibrillation, cardioversion, CPR and ACLS in a code scenario
* Provide renal replacement therapy to patients through CVVHD and SLED
* Experience with vasoactive drugs, antiarrhythmics, inotropic drugs and vasodilators such as norepinephrine, dopamine, vasopressin, epinephrine, angiotensin II, dobutamine, milrinone, diltiazem, nitroglycerin and nitroprusside
* Trained in obtaining IV access through the ultrasound and intraosseous access in code scenarios
* Comfortable with the mass transfusion protocol and level 1 infuser
* Extensive training and coursework completed in the management of external/transcutaneous/temporary Pacemakers, Hypothermia, Impella, PrimsaFlex CVVHD, NxStage SLED, Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump, LVAD/HVAD and Mechanical Ventilation/Tracheostomy management
* Currently serving in the code pager position and preceptor role for capstone nursing students and student externs
* Volunteered and adapted to working the COVID-19 ICU and Neuro ICU unit during extended temporary assignments
* Covid vaccine administrator, clinical lead and clinical questions resource

**Mayo Clinic, *Registered Nurse* (**Rochester, MN) February 2018-June 2019

* Registered Nurse in the intensive care step down unit specializing in vascular surgery and monitored medical patients
  + Overflow patients from cardiac service, postpartum delivery, thoracic surgery and general surgery
* Experienced a fast-paced unit with various patients that required close cardiac monitoring, arterial-line monitoring, tracheostomy care, complex wound care and titrated intravenous drips.
* Professional communication skills exhibited daily with patients from diverse backgrounds
* Completion of the 12-month residency program, 3-month orientation period and critical care-based courses
* Achieved certificates of completion in critical care nursing: Foundations of Critical Care Nursing, ECG interpretation, deteriorating patient education, violent patient behavior and respiratory management
* Chosen as an EPIC Super User which included attendance at monthly meetings, influencing updates in the program, leading co-workers through go-live update transitions and providing updates to members of the unit
* Certified Nursing Teacher (CNT) Role Development and simulation training completed to build upon current teaching skills and advance communication skills when working with nursing students and externs

**Barnes Jewish/Children’s HealthCare, *Student Nurse Extern*** (St. Louis, MO)May 2017-July 2017

* 10-week externship program completed in the PACU/Preoperative Unit and Operating Room of Progress West Hospital
* Admitted patients in the preoperative unit and provided direct care in PACU by monitoring artificial airways and respiratory distress, controlling patient’s pain levels, capnography monitoring and provided discharge education
* Scrubbed into surgeries in the OR and shadowed multiple CRNAs, first assistants, and circulating nurses.

**St. Edward Mercy Medical Center, *Student Nurse Extern*** (Fort Smith, AR)August 2017-December 2017

* Provided patient care in the cardiac, medical, and neuro Intensive Care Unit under the supervision of a RN

**LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**Student Nurses Association, *Student Mentor*** (Fayetteville, AR)August 2016-May 2017

* Mentored ten first semester nursing students helping them understand efficient study methods, test study strategies, and ways to better manage their time while encouraging team building among clinical groups

**KEEN (Kids Enjoy Exercise Now), *Exercise Coach*** (St. Louis, MO)May 2015-January 2017

* Help mentally disabled children and adolescents interact with their peers and exercise in a safe setting

**Lifeguards Unlimited, *Recruiter, Assistant Manager, Lifeguard*** (Wildwood, MO) May 2011-January 2017

* Assistant Manager (2 years) and Lifeguard (4 years) - scheduled, conducted meetings, and completed payroll
* Traveling Recruiter (2 years) - encouraged potential employees to begin a career with Lifeguards Unlimited

**EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Science in Nursing at University of Arkansas – Fayetteville

* Graduation December 2017

**HONORS/ACTIVITIES/CERTIFICATIONS**

* Sixth (2020) and seventh (2021) grade basketball coach and mentor
* The Gathering Church nursery volunteer
* American Association of Critical Care Nurses Member
* National Institute of Health (NIH) Certification – Protect Human Research Participants
* CCRN
* BLS
* ACLS
* PALS