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| **Professional Summary** | Compassionate Registered Nurse with over 5 years of experience in offering comprehensive patient care in culturally diverse environments. Works well with complex patient population and builds trusting relationships to improve outcomes. Efficiently coordinates with healthcare professionals to advance patient care. |

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| **Skills** | |  |  | | --- | --- | | * Intravenous therapy * Patient and family advocacy * Chronic disease management * Neurology awareness * Trauma recovery * Educate health professional. * High level of autonomy * Culturally sensitive | * Collaborate with government agencies to ensure Infection control. * Analyze infection data. * Assist with development of action plans. * Nursing Plan Development and Modification | |

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| **Work History** | Clinical Research Nurse National Institutes of Health - Bethesda, MD  08.2020 - Current   * Provide the full range of professional nursing care and treatment to a wide variety of critically ill patients. * Perform patient assessments and independently determines and assigns priority of care based on patient's presenting symptoms and physical manifestations, using established protocols as a guide. * Administer critical care drugs that require specialized knowledge. * Operate specialized medical equipment such as resuscitators, defibrillators, electrocardiographs, oxygen apparatus, intravenous pumps, and rapid intravenous infusers. * Assist scientists and physicians with developing treatments to ensure the health and safety of patients and the community.   Registered Nurse     /   National Institutes of Health - Bethesda, MD  11.2018 - Current   * Maintained highest levels of patient satisfaction, generating referrals to maintain productivity levels for hospital and research units. * Observed and reported patient condition, progress, and medication side effects to accurately document updates. * Leveraged feedback and process improvement opportunities to create safer and healthier environment and increase patient satisfaction. * Advised patients and caregivers of proper wound management, discharge plan objectives, safe medication use and disease management. * Offered clinical leadership and oversight to 10-20 clients -daily/including scheduling, tasking, and administration of care. * Covid-19 team Nurse/Pandemic Critical Care Nurse     Registered Nurse    /  -St Agnes Emergency Department - Baltimore, MD  06.2019 – 4.2020   * Educated patients on how to improve lifestyle choices, dramatically reducing chance of symptom re-occurrence. * Administered medications and treatment to patients and monitored responses while working with healthcare teams to adjust care plans. * Facilitated therapeutic communication, conflict resolution and crisis intervention by redirecting negative behaviors and helping patients regain or improve coping abilities to prevent further disability. * Monitored patient condition, including interpreting, and tracking EKG readings, identifying irregular telemetry readings, and updating team members on changes in stability or acuity. * Coordinated care for up to 5:1 patient ratio per shift in busy short-staffed setting with strict quality and cost constraints. * Consistently maintained core measures and patient satisfaction on consistent basis   Nurse Manager     /  B Positive National Blood Services - Riverdale, Maryland  08.2016 - 11.2018   * Ensures donor suitability, product integrity, and continued good health of donors through compliance with Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations and state regulations. * Managed center's donor flow and on-site personnel, including scheduling, managing break times, and responding to day-to-day issues and concerns. * Handled receipt of positive test results or other product-related issues; Counsels donor as it pertains to positive results; oversaw quarantining and/ destruction of questionable or unacceptable units. * Recorded details regarding all therapies, including plasma and platelets to keep patient charts updated. * Participated in education activities, including evidence-based practice project implementation, nursing competency development and nursing simulation activities. * Provided training and supervision to 20-member staff.   Charge Nurse -   /   Anchor Home Health Care - Vienna, VA  01.2016 - 08.2016   * Provide appropriate level of care during unusual and moderate to severe care for patient that were on ventilator machines. * Assessed patient vitals, performed phlebotomy, and managed intravenous lines. * Used sterile techniques, including hand hygiene and protocol preparation to prepare patients for procedures. * Prevented drug interactions and contributed to correct diagnosis by recording patient health information, monitoring vitals, and updating patient files within electronic medical record. * Administered direct patient care by initiating preventative and rehabilitative interventions, assisting patients with activities of daily living, positioning, mobilization, and personal hygiene support. * Prevented drug interactions and contributed to correct diagnosis by recording patient health information, monitoring vitals, and updating patient files with accurate real time information. * Used sterile techniques. * Delivered high-quality direct and indirect nursing care to all patients. * Prevented drug interactions and contributed to correct diagnosis by recording patient health information, monitoring vitals, and updating patient files. * Evaluated patient status and re-assessed clients' nursing needs every hour.   Progressive Care Nurse    /   BALTIMORE WASHINGTON MEDICAL CENTER - Glen Burnie, MD    07.2014 - 07.2015   * Coordinated care with health team to ensure that patient s needs were met in accordance with professional standards of practice. * Supported physicians during examinations and scans to assist with diagnostic procedures. * Managed patient care through closely monitoring respiration, blood pressure and blood glucose levels. * Minimized staff and patient infection risk by cleaning and disinfecting equipment instruments. * Evaluated patient status and re-assessed clients' nursing needs every hour. * Prevented drug interactions and contributed to correct diagnosis by recording patient health information, monitoring vitals, and updating patient files. * Observed, charted, and reported developments in patient health condition. * Observed, charted, and reported developments in patient health conditions |
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| **Education** | Sojourner-Douglass College - Baltimore, MD   /   2015  Bachelor of Science: Nursing |