# Connie Cheatham

# RN -WELLNESS, Occ. Med, Aesthetics, Clinical Educator, Biometric screener, Wellness nurse, Esthetic nurse, spa nurse, spa nurse injector

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- Reliable, ethical healthcare provider with the ability to stay calm and intervene during
- Proven success in the ability to assess needs and recommend appropriate solutions
- Proven ability to build positive relationships with patients, family members, physicians, and other medical professionals
- · Able to facilitate educational meetings and collaborate on multidisciplinary teams
- Consistently focused on customer service; resourceful and creative with strong problem solving abilities
- Highly skilled and adept in conveying the benefits of products/services
- Understanding of CMS Conditions of Participation, Joint Commission Standards and state licensing standards
- Experienced and successful in writing "Appeal letters" to State and Federal agencies
- Proficient computer skills with knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint
- Fiscal responsibility and accountability
- Experienced in Performance Improvement, Risk Management, Productivity, CMS and OSHA reports, internal audits, and operational spreadsheets
- Able to thrive in a fast paced, high pressure work environment
- Team player mentality
- Passion for ~~~~~~ learning and skill development

Willing to relocate: Anywhere

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

## Work Experience

#### **Monoclonal Antibody Infusion nurse**

KLap6 - Alexandria, LA September 2021 to Present

Monoclonal Antibody infusion nurse. Screen,/ Assess patient, infuse and monitor post infusion on site at a free-standing infusion center.

## Registered Nurse (RN)

National Nurses-Wallace Eye Center - Alexandria, LA March 2021 to Present

Agency Surgery nurse including preop and post op eye surgery for three physicians.

#### **Lead RN COVID Vaccination Clinic**

Houston Methodist West - Katy, TX February 2021 to Present Lead RN over Covid Clinic. Duties include: collaborating with pharmacist to thaw and reconstitute Correct number of vials per scheduled patients, drawing up/handling/ distributing vaccination syringes to 26 MA's for injection, fielding all questions concerning eligibility to receive vaccination according to past and present diagnoses, oversee post vac. Observation area and responding to any reactions per protocol, collaborate with management for staffing of clinic, manage supplies for clinic currently vaccinating over 2000 patients per day.

## **Registered Nurse**

National Nurses of America - Alexandria, LA August 2020 to Present

Contract agency nurse. Perform all duties of a staff nurse per facility protocols.

#### **Biometric Health Screener**

TideSmart Global - Portland, ME September 2019 to Present

RN Biometric screener for corporate clients performing on-site screenings including cholesterol, Blood pressure, BMI, Height and Weight. On site education provided and follow up second part physician visit scheduled.

Flu vaccinations administered

### **RN Charge Nurse**

Wellpath Correct Care Solutions - Nashville, TN February 2020 to July 2020

RN charge nurse contracted to Acadiana center for youth, Bunkie, Louisiana.

Staff/clinic nurse. Performed onsite nursing duties to conduct clinic, give vaccines as indicated, maintain medical records per electronic data base, infirmary nurse for injuries/illnesses and infirmary admits. Occ Med nurse for staff injuries and reporting.

#### **Wellness Nurse/Occ Med**

Caterpillar Industries - Seguin, TX October 2018 to April 2019

Very productive Wellness Nurse and loved the response from the employees.

Functioned as a clinical educator, drew labs, performed Biometric profiles and followed up with results and implementations to encourage a healthy lifestyle. Promoted wellness and Biometric screenings via email, flyers/handouts and digital boards. Held wellness/ BP/ flu clinics for employees at three (3) different locations. Worked closely with Occ Med nurses at all locations to promote health and well being. Assisted with Occ Med injuries.

#### Administrater

Memorial Hospital Home Health Agency - Gonzales, TX November 2015 to December 2017

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#### **Administrator**

Gonzales Healthcare Systems - Gonzales, TX November 2015 to December 2017 Full time) - remain PRN consultant for agency

Supervisor: Patty Stewart. (830)672-9508

- \* Reports directly to Chief Financial Officer
- \* Provided management supervision of Medicaid/Medicare certified home health agency including but not

limited to daily operations, financial affairs/budgets, Human Resources, regulatory and policy compliance, and staffing

- \* Collaborated with multidisciplinary teams to develop marketing strategies and community relations
- \* Acted as primary "sales manager" by leading business development in pursuit of new business opportunities and making sales calls
- \* Developed and maintained policies and procedures with current State and Federal regulatory mandates and Gonzales Healthcare System on ongoing basis.

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- \* Worked with Medical Director and Director of Nursing Services on Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement Initiatives
- \* Conducted individualized meetings with agency staff and all therapist (PT,OT,ST,SW) to review and monitor client service plans of care, caregiver training plans and the auditing of client and caregiver files
- \* Analyzed and coordinated employee training related to specific job assignments
- \* Established goals and objectives monitored employee performance prepared written performance evaluations and developed corrective action plans
- \* Coordinated employee monthly in services and nurse's training programs
- \* Provided ongoing supervision for the Clinical Director

#### **ER Staff Nurse - PRN**

Gonzales Healthcare Systems - Gonzales, TX September 2015 to December 2017

Supervisor: Valerie Hohenlohe. (830)672-9508

- \* Quickly and accurately assess patient care needs
- \* Work collaboratively with doctors and staff to provide exceptional care
- \* Perform all requested diagnostic tests
- \* Diagnose and develop treatment plan collaboratively with doctors and staff

- \* Manage multiple cases simultaneously, prioritizing needs continually
- \* Comply with all legal and safety requirements at all times
- \* Provide follow up care instructions to patients and make necessary referrals
- \* Maintain accurate and up to date patient charts

### Supervisor/Charge Nurse/REHAB CERTIFIED Staff RN

Mercy Regional Medical Center Rehab Department - Ville Platte, LA October 2013 to December 2017

Supervisor: Peter Aucoin (337)363-5684

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- \* Assess patients (Orthopedic, Neurology, Drug rehab) and develop nursing plans of care to meet their medical needs
- \* Administer medications and collaborate with physicians about their prognosis and treatment
- \* Collaborate extensively with physical therapist, social workers and occupational therapist
- \* Coordinate and attend interdisciplinary meeting to discuss patients' progress and make changes to plans of care
- \* Perform dressing changes and other procedures for patients who have undergone surgery
- \* Suction Tracheotomies and perform trach care
- \* Monitor patient's vital signs and lab values
- \* Administrator enteral feedings and IV medications as ordered
- \* Administrator blood products as ordered by physician

#### **ICU Staff Nurse**

Mercy Regional Medical Center Rehab Department - Ville Platte, LA May 2009 to December 2017

Full time ICU staff until 10/2013, then remained PRN)

Supervisor: Jessie O'Connor (337)363-5684

- \* Assess patient's condition, plan and implement patient care plans
- \* Treat wounds and provide advanced life support
- \* Assist physicians in performing procedures

- \* Observe and record patient vital signs
- \* Ensure ventilators, monitors and other types of medical equipment function properly
- \* Administer intravenous fluids and medications

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- \* Order diagnostic tests
- \* Collaborate with fellow members of the critical care team
- \* Respond to life-saving situations, using nursing standards and protocols for treatment
- \* Act as patient advocate
- \* Provide education and support to patient families
- \* Care for pre- and post-operative patients

## Safety Instructor teaching CPR/AED/First Aid/Medic classes

Polecat Safety - Lafayette, LA September 2011 to May 2012

Supervisor: Joey Allgood. (337)852-3599

\* Performed onsite BAT's (Breathalyzer test), Urine Drug Screens, Pulmonary Function Test, Audiograms, Occupational Medical Health Screenings including Blood Glucose and Cholesterol test

### **Transition Clinical Coordinator**

LHC GROUP - Lafayette, LA 2008 to 2009

Supervisor: Pam Bridges

- \* Traveled extensively to different states to transition over new Home Health and Hospice Acquisitions
- \* Selection of Agency Leadership and hired new staff as needed
- \* Conducted onsite weekly employee, safety and corporate compliance meetings complete with power point presentations and in-services.
- \* Transitioned all data into corporate data base
- \* Maintained PI, Risk Management, Productivity, CMS and OSHA reports as well as conducting internal audits and maintaining operational spreadsheets
- \* Worked with new leadership to coordinate patient care with physicians, therapist, nurses and aides.

\* Liaison between agency and contract therapist

### **Agency Registered Nurse**

Emergent Nursing Care - Lafayette, LA 2003 to 2009

Supervisor: Shawn Trahan

- \* Registered Nurse working primarily ICU, but work experience includes ER, Med. Sur., In-patient Rehab, Out-patient surgery, and LTAC units.
- \* Performed all nursing duties according to protocol and policies per facility and unit.

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Opelousas General Health System, Opelousas, LA

Staff RN - PCU/ICU nurse

2003-2004

Supervisor: Jackie Harbor

- \* Extensive experience with Pre- and Post-Heart Cath patient assessment and care
- \* Experienced in care of Cardiac and Post Surgery patients including Wound Vacs, Wound care, Drains and flushes (3-way)

#### **Owner/Operator**

Two Sheep Island Nursery - Big Cane, LA 1985 to 2002

Retail Nursery, Florist Center and Landscape Business. Closed business to pursue a career in nursing.

#### **Director of Personnel**

Intracoastal Truck Lines and Pipe Storage - Morgan City, LA 1977 to 1983

- \* On boarded new employees
- \* Maintained complete personnel records
- \* Processed payroll
- \* Processed accident reports (on site in pipe yard and truckers'), workman's compensation and insurance claims, owner-operator truck leases, trucker's log book audits, DOT compliance checks and licensing compliance for shipping into and out of the coastal southern states.
- \* Conducted Safety meetings for pipe yard personnel and truckers
- \* Enforced Safety compliance and Quality Management
- \* Personal Secretary of Terminal Manager

\* Relief trucking dispatcher (PRN)

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## Education

## Post Graduate mastery in Aesthetics certification

Esthetic Skin Institute Fort Lauderdale - Fort Lauderdale, FL 2008

## **Associate in Nursing**

Alexandria, LA

June 1999 to December 2002

### **Associate Degree in Registered Nurse**

Louisiana State University of Alexandria - Alexandria, LA 2002

## Post Graduate in Accounting and Business Management

Cottonport Trade School - Cottonport, LA 1976 to 1977

# **Nursing Licenses**

#### RN

Expires: January 2020

State: LA

#### RN

Expires: June 2021

State: TX

#### Skills

- Hospice Care
- Customer Service
- Pediatrics
- English
- Botox Experience
- Dermal Fillers
- Critical Care Experience
- Nursing

- ICU Experience
- EMR Systems
- Hospital Experience
- · Occupational health
- Case management
- Teaching
- Travel nursing
- Medication Administration
- Epic
- Experience Administering Injections
- Triage
- Laboratory Experience
- Employee Orientation
- Patient Care
- · Quality Assurance
- Medical Records
- Basic IV
- Care plans
- Ventilator
- Medical imaging
- Nurse management
- Acute care
- Tube feeding
- Phlebotomy
- Leadership
- Computer Skills
- Organizational Skills
- Home Care
- Medicare
- Medical Office Experience
- Vital Signs

#### Awards

## **Who's Who Among College Students**

October 2001

Named to The Who's Who Among College Students for graduating in the top 25% of the nation for GPA score

## Certifications and Licenses

## **BLS/CPR, ACLS**

February 2018 to February 2020

# **Esthetic Nurse Specialist**

Present

Certification in Dermal Fillers, Botox, and Sclerotherapy

## **CPR/BLS/First Aid/Medic instructor**

# Groups

## **Lyons Business Associate/Member**

March 2016 to Present

Active Member of the Lions Club of Gonzales, Texas.

Active in community service and programs to benefit adults as well as children.