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Work Experience

Wound Care Nurse, Cardiac Rehab RN

Oklahoma Heart Hospital South - Oklahoma City, OK

September 2014 to July 2021

Initially I was hired to the Oklahoma Heart Wound Care Center as a wound nurse. My responsibility included treating, cleaning, dressing wounds as well as using advanced wound treatments, Negative Pressure Wound Therapy, Lower extremity wraps with topical medication and without. Assisted with cast application and removal, all nursing documentation, staying up to date on modalities and wound treatments. Assisted with graft set up and application, was required to be competent in starting, conducting and finishing Hyperbaric therapy and safety check protocols daily. The Wound Center closed in 2018 and I was transferred to a position in Cardiac Rehab. My responsibility included all appropriate documentation, monitoring patients through visual and telemetry monitoring during exercise, obtaining appropriate vital signs and blood sugars, triage and treat abnormal blood pressures and blood sugars per policy guidelines and taking pt.s to ER if they were experiencing Chest Pain or other issues. Finally, assessments evaluations and discharge planning for patients entering the program and completing. I was responsible for education 1:1 in introducing the patient to the expectations and available resources for the Pritikin program which was a part of Rehab. Not employed as of July 30th.

RN ICU staff, House Supervisor, Wound Care Coordinator

Kindred Hospital LTAC - Oklahoma City, OK

September 2008 to August 2014

Initially I was hired as a staff RN to Med Surge but was oriented to ICU and worked predominantly there. After a period of time I was made House Supervisor and worked either ICU, MS or House as staffing needs dictated. My responsibilities included all appropriate documentation using Pro Chart System. I was responsible for Drip medications, IV starts and maintenance, Tracheostomy care and ventilator pt's and all other skills within my scope of practice. In 2011 a position for Wound Care Coordinator came open and I was hired for that position. My responsibilities covered physician rounds, all documentation and preparation for debridement, monitoring and evaluating skin care of pt's. weekly and updating orders per physician. I was certified in application of Autologel which required obtaining blood samples, centrifuge to separate plasma, adding other medications and applying to wounds. I also assisted during debridements and assessed new pt's for preventative implementation such as appropriate mattress, pressure point interventions etc.. I was responsible for evaluation, application and monitoring of all ostomy appliances, Fistulas and monitoring and obtaining or ordering per policy,labs, cultures etc. I was responsible for the North and South Campus Wound Care, hiring and scheduling and monitoring prevalence and cause of pressure ulcers. I went weekly to the South campus and as needed. My company offered me WCC certification through the National Wound Care Alliance which I successfully completed. I absolutely have a passion for PU prevention and wound care. Our PU rate went from 7 per year to 1 under my leadership. I was responsible for weekly photographs, assessment and update for all inpatients with wounds and

evaluation of all new pt.s. For prevention and treatment and documentation of all wounds and skin care needs.

Director of Nursing Services

Amber wood Nursing Home - Oklahoma City, OK
February 2006 to September 2008

I was responsible for nursing staff and worked with the scheduler, monitoring of systems in place and implementing according to policy. Responsible for hiring and termination of employees and also infection control, QI, all state policy and documentation. I worked there a little over a year and felt it was not a good fit. The home itself was also scheduled to close in the next year due to road widening of the interstate. They moved the residents to other facilities and closed later that year.

RN Staff Nurse

Integris Canadian Valley Hospital - Oklahoma City, OK
February 2005 to January 2006

Staff nurse, transferred from Integris Clinton Regional as I had moved to OKC. I worked the MS floor and was responsible for all skills within my scope of practice and following and implementing all policy and procedure.

RN Staff Nurse/Charge Nurse

Integris Clinton Regional Hospital - Oklahoma City, OK
June 1995 to October 2004

I worked as a staff nurse for Med Surg as a new nurse, then was oriented to ICU and worked in ICU until I was oriented to Charge Nurse. I worked 3-11 or 11-7 and was responsible for all depts including Jim Thorpe Rehab and the ER. My responsibilities included all within my scope of practice.

Education

BSN in Nursing

Southwestern Oklahoma State University Weatherford Campus - Weatherford, OK
August 1991 to May 1995

Skills

- Ventilator
- ICU experience
- Critical care experience
- Basic IV
- Nursing
- Infection control
- Patient monitoring
- Medication administration
- Care plans
- Acute care
- Triage

- Tube feeding
- Catheterization
- Aseptic technique
- Vital signs
- EMR systems

Certifications and Licenses

RN

BLS Certification

Additional Information

ACLS