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# PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVE

As a professional Registered Nurse, I strive to provide safe, high-quality healthcare. I am an advocate for quality and positive patient outcomes. I embrace the continuity of learning along with the advancing technology in nursing. I function independently as well as a team player. I can work under pressure and make timely decisions in a patient emergency. These elements combined make me passionate for patient care and satisfied for having chosen nursing as my profession.

# JOB EXPERIENCE

12/21- Current **Supplemental Health Care Travel agency**

Currently working an assignment at UNM ER

3/15-8/20 **Presbyterian Kaseman Emergency Room, Alb, NM**

**.**  Charge nurse for the ER

. Supervised RN’s, EMT’s and Paramedics to ensure patients treatment and medications

were given in a timely, safe manner.

. Assisted the RN’s, EMT’s and Paramedics with patient treatments and procedures.

. Coordinated and collaborated with doctors, PA’s, NP’s and Social Workers in patient care.

Communicated and educated patients and their families

10/15-3/15 **Aya Healthcare Travel Agency**

. St. Vincent Hospital, Santa Fe NM ICU Unit Assignment

. Provided care for critically ill patients

. Worked with mechanical ventilators and IAB pumps

Balanced nursing knowledge and assessment with compassionate care.

Communicated with associated RN’s and providers to ensure the safe completion of

Determined treatment plan.

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| *10/13 - 09/15* | ***University of New Mexico Hospital Post Anesthesia Care Unit Alb. NM***  . Provided post-operative nursing care for patients after various surgical procedures.  · Monitored patients' post-operative hemodynamic stability.  · Monitored and managed patients experiencing post-operative pain symptoms.  · Educated patients and their families about patient post-op care recommendations and treatment regimens along with discharge expectations post PACU care.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. |
| *3/13 - 10/13* | ***Advantage Home Care and Hospice Alb. NM***  ***·*** Provided nursing care for homebound patients and the terminally ill.  ***·*** Provided extensive wound care. Educated patients on infection control, self-care, medication regiments, and home safety.  *·* Provided palliative care for terminally ill patients, as well assisting with the education of family members regarding the patient's condition.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients.. |
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| *05/12 - 3/13* | ***Heart Hospital New Mexico at Lovelace Cardiac Intensive Care Unit. Alb NM***  · Provide nursing care for critically ill patients.  · Monitored patients requiring mechanical ventilation.  · Monitored and managed prevention of complications related to mechanical ventilation.  · Monitored and managed patient hemodynamic stability.  · Monitored normal and abnormal physical assessment, laboratory, and radiologic findings in the critically ill patient.  · Monitored and managed patients receiving cardiovascular, pulmonary, and neurologic medications.  · Monitored and followed pre-surgical and post-surgical care of the patient.  · Monitored and managed patients requiring the use of an IABP.  · Educated patients and their families about patient's illnesses/diseases/post-op care and treatment regimens along with discharge expectations post ICU care.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. |

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| *02/11 - 05/12*  ***NM*** | ***Lovelace Medical Center Cardiovascular Cath Lab/Electrophysiology Dept***  · Provide conscious sedation for patients undergoing Coronary Angiograms, Peripheral vascular procedures, Pacemakers/ICD, Electrophysiology studies  · Monitored patient stability and safety.  · Circulate and assist with equipment used.  · Assist with use and set up of IABP, Angiojet, Rotoblader, Laser and EP ablation equipment as needed for any given intervention.  · Administer ACLS and CPR when needed during critical interventions.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. | |
| *10/08 - 02/11* | ***Lovelace Medical Center, Intensive Care Unit Alb. NM***  · Provide nursing care for critically ill patients.  · Monitored patients requiring mechanical ventilation  · Monitored and managed prevention of complications related to mechanical ventilation.  · Monitored and managed patient hemodynamic stability.  · Monitored normal and abnormal physical assessment, laboratory, and radiologic findings in the critically ill patient.  · Monitored and managed patients receiving cardiovascular, pulmonary, and neurologic medications.  · Monitored and followed protocols for pre and post -surgical care of the critically ill patient.  · Educated patients and their families about the patient's illnesses/ diseases and treatment regimens along with discharge expectations post ICU care.  Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care | |
| *09/01 - 10/08* | ***Heart Hospital of New Mexico Intensive Care Unit., Alb. NM***  · Provide nursing care for critically ill patients.  · Monitored patients requiring mechanical ventilation.  · Monitored and managed prevention of complications related to mechanical ventilation.  · Monitored and managed patient hemodynamic stability.  · Monitored normal and abnormal physical assessment, laboratory, and radiologic findings in the critically ill patient.  · Monitored and managed patients receiving cardiovascular, pulmonary, and neurologic medications.  · Monitored and followed pre-surgical and post-surgical care of the critically ill patient.  · Monitored and managed patients requiring the use of an IABP.  · Educated patients and their families about patient's illnesses/diseases/post-op care and treatment regimens along with discharge expectations post ICU care.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. | |
| *12/99 - 9/01* | ***Res-Care, Alb. NM***  · RN case manager…Provide nursing care for persons with developmental disabilities and mental retardation.  · Manage caseload and oversee all aspects of patient healthcare. Train staff working with these individuals/patients on their Healthcare Plans, Meal Plans and crisis Plans.  · Maintain all heath documents and records.  · Monitor medications, administration and storage in compliance with NM Board of Pharmacy.  · Train staff on Health and Safety policies as well as OSHA regulations.  · Regularly conduct CPR training.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. | |
| *04/98 -11/99* | ***St. Francis Hospital Memphis TN***  ***·*** Provided nursing care for cardiac patients with multi-system illness and Diabetes.  ***·*** Monitored Telemetry  ***·*** Educated patients and their families on their diseases' nature, process, and treatment regimen along with discharge expectations.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. |
| *10/97 - 3/98* | ***Lovelace Hospice/ Home Healthcare, Alb. NM***  ***·*** Provided nursing care for homebound adults and the terminally ill.  ***·*** Provided extensive wound care. Educated patients on infection control, self-care, medication regiments, and home safety.  *·* Provided palliative care for terminally ill patients, as well assisting with the education of family members regarding the patient's condition.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. |
| *6/96 - 10/97* | ***St. Joseph's Hospital, Alb. NM***  ***·*** Provided nursing care for cardiac patients with multi-system illness and Diabetes.  ***·*** Monitored Telemetry  ***·*** Educated patients and their families on their diseases' nature, process, and treatment regimen along with discharge expectations.  · Work closely with doctors and other team members to provide safe quality care for patients. |

# EDUCATION

Currently in pursuit of BSN with **Western Governors University**

1992 - 1996 Albuquerque Technical-Vocational Institute -- Associates Degree Nursing

1991 - 1992 University of New Mexico -- Prerequisites

1982 - 1986 Highland High School -- High School Diploma

# SKILLS

TNCC Certified

ACLS/BLS Certified

PALS Certified

Computer efficiency

OMI Certified

Previously certified CPR instructor

***REFERENCES:***

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