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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.

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 regimens, 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..

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.

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.
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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 health 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 regimens, 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

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