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Registered Nurse Career Synopsis

Department of Veteran Affairs-Washington, District of Columbia

Willing to relocate to: Maryland - Virginia - North Carolina

Work Experience

Registered Nurse (Nurse II, Step III) (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Psychiatric Acute Inpatient Facility & Medical-Surgical/Telemetry Unit - Washington, DC

September 2020 to Present

Serving as Registered Nurse, on psychiatric unit. I provide direct and individualized nursing care to veterans based on the application of scientific nursing principles. In addition to basic nursing care, I am responsible for physical & mental health assessments upon admission and daily after admission. I am also responsible for performing search for contraband upon veteran's arrival to unit to ensure safety of others. I help to develop care plans for veterans by helping them become as independent as possible. I monitor their treatment regimens, administers prescribed medications, and make constant adjustments commensurate with a veteran's condition under the supervision of medical staff. I observe and reports behavioral changes to providers. I work with the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) and veteran's families to help improve their mental illness and function within their family dynamics via telephone or electronic video due to the Covid-19 pandemic. I add additional signers to a note in CPRS. i.e., Psychologist and Nurse Practitioner, which allows the RN to communicate with providers; as well as to review and update a veteran's medical record appropriately. I record/document all care information concisely, accurately, and completely, in the Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS) in a timely manner.

Serving as Registered Nurse on Medical-Surgical/Telemetry Unit. I helped to promote health, prevent diseases, and helped patients cope with their illness. I advocated for patients and educated patients, families, and communities. I provided care for elderly patient experiencing general medical conditions and general surgical procedures, which required general assessments related to their specific conditions, and general therapy and intervention. I performed routine assessments and monitored vital signs. I was responsible for monitoring patient's cardiac rhythms on telemetry, and monitored and administered medication, intravenous infusion after assessment I used clinical reasoning, developed, implemented, and evaluated a plan of care for managing both emotional and physical patients.

Registered Nurse (Nurse II, Step III) (32 Hrs. Wk.)

Department of Veteran Affairs - Loch Raven, MD

May 2020 to September 2020

Inpatient Hospice Nursing Unit

Serving as a Registered Nurse on the Inpatient Hospice Nursing Unit, I provide care to Veterans who are near end of life. I assess a Veteran's situation, as well as detect changes in symptoms, health or pain, and determine the needs to know when action is necessary. I deal with Veterans with differing needs, stages of health and risks. I am organized with knowing how to prioritize each Veteran's situation. I develop a close relationship with Veterans who are scared, in pain or still coming to terms with their death. At times,

the Veteran's families have questions and want answers during the transition phases. I make sure that I am patient listener and good communicator to help keep everyone calm and help them understand the situation. I am compassionate and sympathetic to the Veteran's needs, and able to deal with Veterans in various states of pain, trauma, and tragedy.

Assistant Nurse Manager (Nurse II, Step II) (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Psychiatric Acute Inpatient Facility - Biloxi, MS

April 2019 to May 2020

As Assistant Nurse Manager of an Acute Inpatient Behavioral Health Unit, I supervise close to 60 employees on an acute inpatient 32-bed unit, with 22 beds currently being operated. I work closely with interdisciplinary team to assure excellent communication and patient satisfaction. I collaborate closely with psychiatrist as well as quality management to ensure the unit is meeting core measure metrics and length of stay. I have created a trusting relationship with the interdisciplinary team as well as my employees. I mentor and motivate members of the nursing team to complete higher education and career development. I complete audits of charting and purposeful rounding to ensure nursing staff are within compliance. I monitor performance improvement measurements including the Inpatient Mental Health ORYX admission assessment measurement which increased from 33% in July 2018 to 100% as of February 2019 and has consecutively remained at 100% as of

September 2019 placing ORYX measure at #8 in the top 10% percentile. I have conducted staff meetings, in-services, and one-on-one training with nursing staff to ensure each team member understands the importance of his or her job description on the inpatient psychiatric unit.

Department of Veteran Affairs -Biloxi, Mississippi

Registered Nurse (Nurse II, Step II)

Psychiatric Acute Inpatient Facility - Biloxi, MS

March 2018 to April 2019

Serving as Registered Nurse, on psychiatric unit. I provide direct and individualized nursing care to veterans based on the application of scientific nursing principles. In addition to basic nursing care, I am responsible for physical & mental health assessments. I help to develop care plans for veterans by helping them be as independent as possible. I administer and monitor their treatment regimens, administers prescribed medications, make constant adjustments commensurate with a veteran's condition under the supervision of medical staff. I observe and reports behavioral changes and maintain control of drugs and medications to help improve their coping abilities. I work with the

Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) and veteran's families to help improve their mental illness and function within their family dynamics. I record/document all care information concisely, accurately and completely, in Computerized Patient Record System (CPRS) in a timely manner. I add additional signers to a note in CPRS. i.e. Psychologist and Nurse Practitioner, which allows the RN to communicate with providers; as well as to review and update a veteran's medical record appropriately. I am responsible for performing search for contraband upon veteran's arrival to unit to ensure safety of others.

Wound Care Coordinator (40 Hrs. Wk.)

The Boyington Health and Rehabilitation Center - Gulfport, MS

June 2017 to March 2018

Wound Care Facility

I provided direct nursing care in accordance with established policies, procedures, and protocols of the healthcare organization. I was responsible for skin assessments and evaluate patient care needs. I initiated treatment for wounds, such as: pressure, stasis, arterial and diabetic ulcers; as well as surgical

incision sites. I administered prescribed medication, change dressings, cleaned wounds, and monitored patient's vital signs. I measured wounds weekly and documented size, color, odor, and exudate. I served as the primary coordinator of all disciplines for well-coordinated patient care. I educated resident and family on wound healing process. i.e., comorbidities cause and effects. I monitored patient's records and communicated with them about their condition as appropriate utilizing CPRS (Computerized Patient Record System). I completed care plans and MDS (Minimum Data Service) that pertain to skin integrity. I consulted with physicians and nurse practitioners about treatment orders for each patient. I provided professional nursing care to all patients utilizing the nursing process and collaborated with other members of the health care IDT (Interdisciplinary Team), which included physicians and psychologist to deliver quality health care.

Registered Nurse (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Memorial Hospital - Gulfport, MS
November 2014 to June 2017

Medical/Surgical/Telemetry

I assessed, implemented, and planned patient's care. Responsible for monitoring patient's cardiac rhythms on telemetry, and monitored and administered medication, intravenous infusion after assessment. I accurately and timely documented patient care. I ensured safety and quality control of designated area and patient care.

Registered Nurse-LTACH (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Select Specialty Hospital - Gulfport, MS
January 2015 to May 2017

LTACH (Long-Term Acute Care Hospital)

I assessed and provided nursing care to critically ill patients in LTACH with complex conditions over an extended period of time. I was responsible for drawing blood work and diagnostic test to identify patient's medical condition. I used a team approach to help identify patient's medical conditions, devise treatment plans, and set goals that resulted in positive, long-term outcomes for the patient. The IDT (Interdisciplinary Team) was integral part of the process. I monitored patient's vital signs and symptoms, maintained records, delivered medication, and implemented other treatments, as well as feed, clothed, changed linens and assisted patients with personal hygiene. I provide psychological support by arranging for additional care and support groups.

Registered Nurse (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Oxford Healthcare - Gulfport, MS
April 2013 to January 2015

Pediatrics

I provided care for pediatric patients in home setting. I assisted pediatricians by assessing a patient's needs and providing initial patient care. I helped families deal with a child's illness and offered information on nutrition, diet and good health habits. I provided young patients and their families with emotional support and medical care. I educated parents on patient's health condition and prescribed medication.

Registered Nurse (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Biloxi Regional Medical Center - Biloxi, MS
April 2013 to January 2015

Medical/Surgical

I ensured patient safety and provided effective healthcare. I helped to promote health, prevent diseases, and helped patients cope with their illness. I advocated for patients and educated patients, families,

and communities. I provided care for elderly patient experiencing general medical conditions and general surgical procedures, which required general assessments related to their specific conditions, and general therapy and intervention. I performed routine assessments and monitored vital signs. I used clinical reasoning, developed, implemented, and evaluated a plan of care for managing both emotional and physical patients. I assessed patient and family level of understanding to provide effective communication and education. I worked in collaboration with medical staff and Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) to provide quality care in a compassionate and professional manner.

Registered Nurse (40 Hrs. Wk.)

Home Instead Senior Care - Ocean Springs, MS

January 2013 to April 2013

Geriatric Care

I performed mental; as well as physical healthcare on senior patients, who often times was bedridden. I assisted clients with ambulation and stabilization. I was responsible for preparing meals and light duty housekeeping. I helped client focused on maximizing patients' functional abilities; as well as promoted, maintained, and restored their physical and mental health.

Department of Veteran Affairs - Biloxi, MS

Education

M.S.N. in Nursing

University of South Alabama - Mobile, AL

December 2021

B.S.

William Carey University - Biloxi, MS

February 2013

Skills

- Nurse management
- Basic IV
- Patient monitoring
- Acute care
- Nursing
- Medication administration
- Care plans
- Quality management
- Vital signs
- Laboratory experience
- Cerner
- Documentation review
- Hospice care
- EMR systems

- Patient care
- Medical records
- Tube feeding
- Experience administering injections
- Epic

Languages

- English - Expert

Certifications and Licenses

BLS Certification

December 2020 to December 2022

RN

April 2013 to December 2022

Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)

December 2020 to December 2022

Assessments

Clinical judgment — Expert

August 2020

Assessing a patient's condition and implementing the appropriate medical intervention.

Full results: [Expert](#)

Nursing assistant skills — Expert

August 2020

Providing nursing aid to patients using knowledge of relevant equipment and procedures.

Full results: [Expert](#)

Patient-focused care — Expert

August 2020

Addressing concerns and using sensitivity when responding to needs and feelings of patients

Full results: [Expert](#)

Indeed Assessments provides skills tests that are not indicative of a license or certification, or continued development in any professional field.

Groups

Zeta Gamma Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society

November 2021 to Present