

# Catherine Stark

## **Endoscopy Registered Nurse/ Preop/Pacu/Pain procedures**

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Endoscopy Registered Nurse

Duly Health and Care Surgery Center - Lombard, IL

July 2019 to current

- Assist physicians with endoscopic procedures, colonoscopies and upper endoscopies.
- Cross trained to tech during procedure.
- Administer conscious sedation under physicians guidance and monitor patients vital signs during endoscopies.
- Recover patients after conscious sedation.
- Complete electronic charting during endoscopy.
- Educated patients about procedures, test results, and gastrointestinal diseases.
- Perform preoperative and postoperative phone calls to patients.

Assisted physician in pain procedures, administrated conscious sedation, monitored vitals.

Willing to relocate: Anywhere

Authorized to work in the US for any employer

## Work Experience

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### **Registered Nurse- preop/pacu/pain/GI**

Elmhurst Outpatient Surgery Center - Elmhurst, IL

July 2018 to July 2019

Post Anesthesia Care Unit/ Pre surgical

Evaluate and prepare patients before surgery, start IV's and antibiotics.

- Achieve proper oxygenation of patients postoperatively.
- Achieve success in managing pain control by knowledge of pain medications.
- Administer medications, treatments, and dressings, according to physician's instructions and condition of patient.

Assisted physician in pain procedures, administrated conscious sedation, monitored vitals.

- Assess needs of various post-surgery operations.
- Observe, evaluate, and record symptoms.
- Apply independent emergency measures to counteract adverse developments.
- Maintain equipment and supplies.

### **Telephone Triage RN-Gastroenterology**

DuPage Medical Group - Hoffman Estates, IL

February 2018 to July 2018

Answer incoming calls for gastroenterology patients with questions or concerns regarding their gastro illnesses.

Assisted physicians in plan of care for patients with chronic medical needs during disease processes.

Filling medications and sending to pharmacy electronically.

Charting and sending messages to physicians quick and efficiently.

### **Endoscopy Registered Nurse**

Dupage Medical Group Surgery Center - Lombard, IL

December 2015 to July 2018

- Assist physicians with endoscopic procedures, colonoscopies and upper endoscopies.
- Administer conscious sedation under physicians guidance and monitor patients vital signs during endoscopies.
- Recover patients after conscious sedation.
- Complete electronic charting during endoscopy.
- Educated patients about procedures, test results, and gastrointestinal diseases.
- Perform preoperative and postoperative phone calls to patients.

Assisted physician in pain procedures, administered conscious sedation, monitored vitals.

### **RN procedure endoscopy**

Medical Solutions, Inc. - Racine, WI

February 2017 to November 2017

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### **Postoperative Registered Nurse**

DuPage Medical Group Surgical Center - Lombard, IL

April 2013 to December 2015

- Evaluate and prepare patients before surgery, start IV's and antibiotics.
- Achieve proper oxygenation of patients postoperatively.
- Achieve success in managing pain control by knowledge of pain medications.
- Administer medications, treatments, and dressings, according to physician's instructions and condition of patient.
- Assess needs of various post-surgery operations.
- Observe, evaluate, and record symptoms.
- Apply independent emergency measures to counteract adverse developments.
- Maintain equipment and supplies.

### **Registered Nurse**

Edward Hospital - Naperville, IL

December 2012 to March 2013

Post Anesthesia Care Unit

- Achieve proper oxygenation of patients postoperatively
- Achieve success in managing pain control by knowledge of pain medications.
- Administer medications, treatments, and dressings, according to physician's instructions and condition of patient.

- Assess needs of various post-surgery operations.
- Observe, evaluate, and record symptoms.
- Apply independent emergency measures to counteract adverse developments.
- Maintain equipment and supplies.

### **Cardiac & Neuro ICU, Registered Nurse**

Edward Hospital - Naperville, IL  
August 2009 to February 2013

- Experience in cardiology and neurological critical care.
- Manage open heart recovery care.
- Ability to diagnose and treat patients with serious cardiac and neurological conditions.
- Start IVs, monitor patients' respiratory ventilation, pulse oximetry, and assist with intubation.
- Place nasogastric, dobhoff feeding tubes and foley catheters.
- Monitor and assess intra-aortic balloon pumps, swan ganz catheters, central and arterial lines, temporary pacemakers and chest tubes.
- Assess, plan, manage, and implement care.
- Ability to handle emergency situations.
- In depth knowledge of cardiovascular diseases and the ways of prevention.

### **Patient Care Technician**

Edward Hospital, Cardiac Critical Care Unit - Naperville, IL  
February 2008 to August 2010

- Provided patient care for up to 14 patients on a daily basis. This included bathing, shaving, changing linens, answering call lights and assistance eating.
- Worked with patients post operatively open heart surgery and thoracotomy patients.
- Ambulated postoperatively open heart surgery and other surgical patients three times a day.
- Maintained inventory and setup equipment in each room as needed.
- Trained in conducting EKG's and blood glucose checking.

### **Patient Care Associate**

Christ Hospital, Neuro-Trauma - Oak Lawn, IL  
May 2004 to February 2006

- Provided patient care for up to 14 patients on a daily basis. This included bathing, shaving, changing linens, answering call lights and assistance eating.
- Worked with a large variety of patients, including gunshot wounds, stabbings, quadriplegics, sickle cell and multiple work related injuries.
- Performed phlebotomy on each patient every morning and stat blood cultures as ordered.
- Assessed vital signs every 4-8 hours per physician order.
- Charted all patients, including vital signs, intake/output and ADL's.

### **Patient Care Technician**

Rush University Medical Center - Chicago, IL  
August 2005 to January 2006

- Provided patient care for up to 10 patients on a daily basis. This included bathing, shaving, changing linens, answering call lights and assistance eating.
- Worked with a variety of patients, including orthopedic, neurological, transplant, ICU and medical surgical.
- Took vital signs on all patients throughout each shift as needed.

- Recorded intake and output throughout each shift.
- Ambulated patients multiple times throughout each shift.
- Charted all patients, including vital signs, intake/output and ADL's.

### **Administrative Assistant**

Academic Dermatology and Skin Cancer Institute - Chicago, IL  
2003 to 2004

- Assisted the physician in patient consultations, mole removal and liposuction procedures.
- Managed patient check-in and check-out.
- Assisted in the billing process of patients and contacted insurance companies for coverage.

## Education

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### **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

Lewis University - Romeoville, IL  
May 2009

### **Associate in Science**

Moraine Valley College - Palos Hills, IL  
2003 to 2005

## Skills

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- Pacu
- RN
- Staff Nurse
- Critical Care Experience
- ICU Experience
- Tube Feeding
- Vital Signs
- EMR Systems
- Triage
- Medication Administration
- Laboratory Experience
- Experience Administering Injections
- Epic
- Medical Imaging
- Pain Management
- Hospital Experience
- Phlebotomy
- Venipuncture
- Travel nursing
- Employee Orientation

- Patient Care
- Endoscopy

## Military Service

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**Branch: Army National Guard**

Service Country: United States

Rank: E5

June 2001 to June 2013

## Certifications and Licenses

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**RN-BSN, BLS, ACLS, PALS,**

**CPR Certification**