

CANDAICE W. GANT

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EDUCATION

Nicholls State University

1/2006 – 12/2009

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree (BSN)

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Patient-focused Registered Nurse with 11+ years experience in healthcare. Experienced in providing care for patients in the Emergency Room, Medical Surgical/In-patient Unit (including post op Orthopedic, Genitourinary and ENT surgeries), Long-Term Care settings and Psychiatric care.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

River Place Behavioral Health Hospital

3/2022-Present

Registered Nurse/Adolescent and Adult Psychiatric Units

- Assess the physical and behavioral health needs of patients, develop and implement nursing care plans, maintain medical records and educate patients and their families about various physical and behavioral health conditions.
- Assess patients' status on an ongoing basis and ensure pertinent information gathered is documented. Notify physicians of significant changes in status such as difficulties with detox, medical emergency or change in medical status regarding response to medications, etc.
- Accurately administer medications per md orders, followed by required documentation.
- Exhibit therapeutic rapport with patients by maintaining professional boundaries, being respectful to personal space, giving patient direct attention and maintaining rational detachment.
- Communicate therapeutically and professionally with patients, visitors, coworkers and others involved in patient treatment in an effective manner.

Klap6 Technologies- Clinton, LA.

9/2021- 2/2022

Registered Nurse/Monoclonal Antibody Infusion Center

- ♦ Assess patients who arrive for monoclonal antibody infusion
- ♦ Initial evaluation which includes detailed medical history, reviewing criteria for infusion
- ♦ Review consent for infusion with the patient
- ♦ Administer monoclonal antibody infusions to patients
- ♦ Monitor patients who receive infusion
- ♦ Discharge patient after infusion with appropriate instructions

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Prairieville Family Hospital-Prairieville, LA

1/2020-5/2022

Registered Nurse/Emergency Room & Inpatient/Medsurg Unit

- ♦ Provide care to the geriatric and adult populations on a 10 bed In-patient/Medsurg unit at a critical access hospital.
- ♦ Provide care for patients of all ages in the emergency room setting.
- ♦ Provide end of life care for hospice patients and their families.
- ♦ Administrator Monoclonal Antibody Infusions to COVID19 positive patients meeting criteria.

Surgical Specialty Center of Baton Rouge- Baton Rouge, LA

12/2014 –1/2020

Registered Nurse/In-patient Post-Operative Care

- ♦ Provide care to patients of all ages (pediatric to geriatric) on a 14 bed post surgical (Orthopedic, ENT, Genitourinary) unit.
- ♦ Assist patients with pain management, post op surgical site care/education, and prophylactic antibiotic therapy during inpatient admission.

Prevoist Memorial Hospital- Donaldsonville, LA

5/2012 –Present

Registered Nurse/ Emergency Room & In-patient/Medsurg

- ♦ Provide care to the geriatric and adult populations on a 10 bed Medsurg unit at a critical access hospital.
- ♦ Provide care for patients of all ages in the emergency room setting.
- ♦ Collaborate with ER and ancillary staff to ensure effective patient care.
- ♦ Monitor ER patients, alerting physicians to change in patient status.
- ♦ Deliver high-quality and compassionate treatment to low-income patient community.
- ♦ Assist patients with the care and education of multiple chronic and acute diagnoses.

St. Martin Hospital – Breaux Bridge, LA (Currently Ochsner St. Martin Hospital) 11/2010 -5/2012

Registered Nurse/Medsurg

- ♦ Provided care to the geriatric, adult and pediatric populations on a 23-bed skilled nursing unit at a critical access hospital
- ♦ Served as Charge Nurse - room assignments, supervised six staff members including nurses and CNAs, and coordinated the timely process of newly admitted patients.
- ♦ Assisted in the emergency room as need.

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Riverland Community Care Center – Lutcher, LA (Currently Chateau St. James) 4/2010 – 11/2010

Weekend Supervisor/Wound care Treatment Nurse/Floater Nurse

- ♦ Weekend supervisor for 116 bed facility. Supervised residents and staff members.
- ♦ Monitored Medication Administration Records (MARs) & activities of daily living (ADL) logs.
- ♦ Performed medication cart checks, reviewed physician orders, verified the completion of nursing & patient tracking notes, and provided wound care.
- ♦ Assisted with infection control & interventions for high-risk patients (falls, wounds & weight instability)
- ♦ Administered/performed employee immunizations & drug screens. Administered medication & immunizations to residents.
- ♦ Provided assessments (in home and/or hospital) for potential new residents.

CERTIFICATIONS

- ♦ Basic Life Support (BLS)
- ♦ Advance Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)
- ♦ Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
- ♦ Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course (ENPC)
- ♦ Management of Aggressive Behavior (MOAB)
- ♦ Handle With Care (HWC Behavioral Management Training)