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##### Diversely Experienced Family Nurse Practitioner

Exceptionally motivated, talented, and compassionate Nurse Practitioner with proven expertise in the delivery and management of evidence-based care for patients across the lifespan with an emphasis in acute and primary care settings. Talented healthcare provider adept at independently assessing, diagnosing, prescribing, and overseeing therapeutic and preventative care for a broad range of health conditions. Outcomes driven professional; exhibits a strong ability to cultivate multidisciplinary relationships to ensure appropriate levels of integrated care to maximize each patient’s potential for optimal health and quality of life. Eager to contribute to the delivery of safe, effective, high quality care in a challenging and rewarding Nurse Practitioner role. **Areas of Training and Expertise Include:**

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| * Acute, Primary & Critical Care * Comprehensive Health Assessments * Therapeutic & Preventative Care * Med. Prescribing & Management | * Orthopedic Medicine * Diagnostic Testing & Interpretation * Electronic Medical Record Platforms * Staff Training & Supervision | * Oncology Medicine * Acute & Chronic Care Management * Patient & Family Education * Regulatory Compliance Guidelines |

# Education & Credentials

**Master of Science in Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner Concentration**, Chamberlain University, (2018)

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing**, University of Phoenix, (2011)

**Associate of Applied Science in Nursing,** Georgia Highlands College, Rome, GA (2009)

**American Nurses Credentialing Association, Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner No. 201808997**, (Expires 2024)

**Georgia State Board of Nursing, Registered Nurse License No. RN204144**, (Expires 2023)

**American Heart Association, Pediatric Advanced Life Support Certification**, (Expires 2023)

**American Heart Association, Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification**, (Expires 2023)

**American Heart Association, Basic Life Support Certification**, (Expires 2023)

**American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Buprenorphine Waiver Training Certification**, (Current)

**DEA License No. Available Upon Request**, (Expires 2023)

**Member of American Nursing Association**

**Member of United Advanced Practice Registered Nurses of Georgia Cobb Cherokee Chapter**

# Professional Experience

**Emory Decatur Emergency Department** 11/2021 -6/2022

Provide professional nursing care for assigned patients in the ER and triage each patient and determine priority of care based on physical, psychological and social needs. Perform focused assessment of chief complaints of each patient in a timely manner according to established guidelines. Communicate effectively with patients, families, and hospital staff in accordance with established policies and procedures.

**Peachtree Immediate Care,** Atlanta, GA.7/2021 **-**2/2022

***Family Nurse Practitioner***

Perform complete physical exams and assessments of patients including urgent and non-urgent presentation including laceration repair, orthopedics and provide referrals to medical specialists

Select, order, perform and interpret tests, analyze, and diagnostic images to provide information on patient condition and augment physical findings. Analyze reports and findings of tests to diagnose patients. Prescribe or administer treatment, therapy, medication, vaccination, and other specialized medical care to treat or prevent illness and injury.

Explain procedures and discuss test results and prescribed treatments with patients.

Document findings and treatment course in patient electronic chart including follow-up notes. Evaluate patients for workers’ compensation injuries, coordinating with employer/clients to balance the needs of the patient and requirements of the employer.

**Ben Taub Level 1 Trauma, Houston, TX** 8/2020-5/2021

***Registered Nurse – RN – Emergency Room – ER – COVID-19 Crisis Response***

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**Murray Medical and Wellness,** Atlanta, GA

***Family Nurse Practitioner*** 4/2019 – 4/2020

Autonomously obtain medical history, conduct comprehensive health assessments, order and interpret appropriate diagnostic studies to diagnose a broad range of health conditions in an outpatient primary care setting; successfully complete up to 25 patient visits per day. Prescribe integrated therapeutic care strategies, utilizing pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic treatments, to optimize patient outcomes. When appropriate, facilitate referrals to healthcare specialists for higher level care. Counsel and advise patients and their family members on disease processes, treatment plan compliance, and preventative care measures to minimize the risk of further healthcare complications. Accurately notate all patient interactions to the Practice Fusion EMR to effectively manage continuity of care. Ensured that all patients are current on age-appropriate preventative healthcare screenings.

**Kennestone Hospital,** Marietta, GA

***Registered Nurse: Emergency Department*** 8/2018 –3/2020

84-bed emergency room setting. Record patient vital statistics, conduct problem focused health assessments, and evaluate diagnostic testing results to generate appropriate therapeutic care plans for a broad range of medical conditions. Collaborate with multidisciplinary healthcare providers to administer integrated care maximizing each patient’s potential for a full recovery. Monitor patient responses to care to sustain safety and ensure treatment efficacy. Educate patients and their family members on health conditions and requisite care to promote long term positive outcomes. Oversee a team of PCTs and sitters to ensure the application of best care practices in compliance with organizational policies and procedures. Serve as a resource for new and continuing personnel to meet the needs of complex patients in a prompt, professional manner. Generate timely, detailed, and accurate patient reports in compliance with rigorous standards of care and professional practice.

**WellStar Cobb Hospital,** Austell, GA

***Patient Flow Coordinator*** 7/2015–10/2020

Evaluated unit census, and optimized workflow processes to ensure safe and timely patient flow throughout all areas of Emergency Department practice. Consulted and conferred with clinical units to facilitate admission or transfer of patients for appropriate levels of care in the event of hospitalization. Monitored and maintained sound financial performance towards the achievement of established performance goals, metrics, and objectives. Championed a preceptor role for new employees; offered teaching and learning opportunities while fostering confidence in independent practice and maintaining the safety of all individuals on the unit. Ensured that all administrative and clinical functions were completed in compliance with organizational protocols and federally regulated healthcare guidelines. Influential in improving Fast Track Processes to reduce the length of stay in the emergency department. Presented with the New Leader Award.

**Georgia Cancer Specialists,** Douglasville, GA

***Registered Nurse: Oncology*** 9/2014 – 7/2015

In collaboration with oncology physicians, evaluated patient labs and physical presentation to determine fitness and eligibility for chemotherapeutic treatment for a broad range of oncological conditions. Accurately calculated all chemotherapy dosing and safely administered medications per physician’s orders and facility protocols. Maintained meticulous attention to detail in monitoring patient responses to treatment; communicated any abnormal findings, patterns, or adverse reactions with appropriate clinicians to prompt further medical investigation. Ensured continual access to quality, compassionate care by providing telephone triage support for patient care inquiries.

**DeKalb Medical Center,** Decatur, GA **| Roper St. Francis Hospital**, Charleston, SC **| Grady Memorial Hospital**, Atlanta, GA

***Registered Nurse: Emergency Department*** 10/2010 – 9/2014

Instrumental member of multidisciplinary patient care teams tasked with triaging, assessing, and treating patients, utilizing ESI algorithms with a broad range of trauma, behavioral health, and critical injuries or illnesses in emergency medicine settings. Prioritized patient care on the basis of acuity, stability, and available healthcare resources. Administered physician’s orders and assisted in the performance of skilled bedside procedures; observed patient responses to care and modified care plans, if appropriate, to improve outcomes. Delegated appropriate tasks to patient care technicians to ensure optimal patient flow and a satisfactory healthcare experience. Provided instruction and guidance for patients and their families on continuity of care. Ensured the timely completion and submission of all clinical documentation in compliance with organizational requirements.