

Linda Hopson-Blake, RN

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Patient-focused, results-driven, Registered Nurse with years of demonstrated success in the medical field. Looking for a position to utilize my skills and continued growth. Bringing experience, skill and knowledge from variety of healthcare setting. Ensured excellence by providing solid knowledge of nursing care plans, nursing diagnosis and interventions. Daily emphasis is to create a supportive, compassionate, safe environment for patients and their families. Specialization in monitoring and interpreting diagnostic test, labs results, vital signs with ongoing communication with physician. Patient advocate.

KEY SKILLS

- Accurate Interpretation of Diagnostic Test
 - Carefully Documentation of Patient Progress
 - Collaborating with all ancillary Healthcare Professionals
 - BLS/ACLS/ PALS Certified
 - Surgical Nursing Pre-Op & Post-Op Care
Med administration all routes; parenteral, intradermal, nebulizer subcutaneous, IM, bolus, piggyback, inhaler
 - IV Pump Management
 - Actively addresses Patient Concerns
 - Comprehensive nursing Physical exam/assessment
 - Wound Care
 - Pain Assessment and intervention
Cardiothoracic surgery
 - Orthopedic nursing
 - Medical-Surgical
 - Telemetry
 - Dialysis
 - Oncology
 - Specimen collection
 - Ostomy care
 - Diabetic care
 - Intravenous and vascular access
 - Palliative care
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- Strategic Planning & Implementation
 - Professional Development & Ongoing Learning

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- ♦ Consults in a variety of patient care situations requiring advanced competency and knowledge.
- ♦ Communication/Patient-Guest Relations: Provides a caring environment in support of medical centers Mission and Values.
 - Patient satisfactions score were consistently in the highest percentile.
 - Successfully implemented programs and committees that increased customer and employee satisfaction. Managed nursing operations of the Center according to policies, protocols, orders, and regulations.
 - Proactively strives and Supports excellence in customer satisfaction.
- ♦ Attend general management meetings and provide input concerning policies and impact to the nursing department.
- ♦ Designed and implemented safety programs by serving as Risk Manager for the Center addressing any safety issues.

Established a monthly an interdisciplinary team meeting to review concerns, share ideas and coordinates with physician and healthcare team members. These meeting allowed the health team to assess, plan, implement or evaluate individual patient needs and care plans, overall needs or challenges facing the combined team
- ♦ Ability to successfully handle multiple projects, prioritize and schedule accordingly.
- ♦ Collects, critically analyzes, and interprets patient's health care data and information. Electronically documented patient's response to nursing and non-nursing interventions.
- ♦ Provided support for the patient and implemented a family-centered model of care. Ability to adapt to a broad range of culturally diverse patients.
- ♦ Supported clinical operations with daily task that included onboarding new residents
- ♦ Prepared, monitored and completed treatment for patients receiving dialysis treatment, set up of equipment, monitoring patient, provide medication
- ♦ Coordinated and administered medication, therapeutic agents and treatments to incarcerated youths and adults with mental health needs
- ♦ Provides continuous and precise assessment of patients pain needs and intervention.
- ♦ Expert knowledge of providing care of Ventilator dependent patients both children and adults including suctioning, cough assistance, and all related modalities necessary for ventilator dependent patients.
- ♦ Explores, critiques, and shares knowledge gained through evidenced-based nursing research articles that seeks to improve patient.

- Implementing Quality Control and environmental safety
- Patient/Family Instruction

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Public Speaking
- Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook
- Mac OS X,
- Various Proprietary Software Programs
- Electronic Medical Record System

EDUCATION & LICENSES

- **Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice:** Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY 1979
- **Associate of Applied Science:** Genesee Community College, Batavia, NY 2005
- **License: Registered Nurse:** State of California (Active)

- Assists in relieving patient's apprehension before and during administration of IV sedation or anesthesia. Performs Conscious and Deep Sedation monitoring. Assists anesthesiologist with preparing patient for induction of anesthesia. Conducts pre and post-procedure instruction with patient and/or patient's family, communicating a positive and caring attitude. Provides verbal and written discharge criteria.
- Assessing the nursing care throughout the entire surgical process. Monitors patient flow and staffing efficiencies.
- Experienced in auscultating heart sounds, lung and bowel sounds; Oxygen Therapy, Tracheostomy Care, Management and Nasogastric Tube, Suctioning, Chest Percussion, Postural drainage, administer all blood products
- Assisted physicians with medical procedures such as joint injection, colonoscopies, vasectomies, cryosurgery of skin. Performed ultrasounds, EKG's, Point of Care Testing, and immunizations.

Registered Nurse: 5/2020-present

Self- employed providing total care for hospice patient's wanting to remain in their home. Orthopedic patients with total knee surgery. Intravenous Medication administration, wound care, diagnostic and lab monitoring, physical therapy exercise.

Registered Nurse-ICU/DOU at San Geronio Memorial Hospital, Banning, CA * 04/2019- 05/2020

Registered Nurse-Progressive Care Neurology Unit/Call Center at Medical Center Plano, Plano, TX* 01/2014- 11/2016

Clinical Lead Registered Nurse-Outpatient Clinic for Incarcerated Youths and Adults at Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, TX* 01/2014- 10/2015

- **Clinical Lead Registered Nurse-Outpatient Clinic** at Resident Based Family Medicine Clinic, Dallas, TX* 01/2013- 01/2015

Private Duty Registered Nurse- In Greater Dallas Tx Metropolitan Area 8/2011-8/2013

Ventilator dependent children and adult, perform total care. Per diem RN for vascular surgeon

Clinical Lead Registered Nurse: Progressive Care Cardiothoracic Unit at Unity Health Care System, Rochester, NY* 07/2005- 08/2011

Oncology Nurse/Respiratory Therapist at Unity Health System, Rochester, NY * 01/2002- 07/2005

References Available Upon Request