Ashanti' Sims, RN

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- *Dedicated, highly adaptive, hardworking, motivated nurse with diverse experience providing compassionate, knowledgeable, and professional health care to patients with a variety of medical conditions.
- *High-level critical and organizational skills with a desire for continuous learning.
- *Ability to adapt to change quickly, strong knowledge base and skills to competently care for all assigned age groups (Neonate, Child, Adolescent, Adult, and Geriatric as applicable).
 - *Demonstrate strong professional and ethical behavior
 - *Integrates knowledge, experience, professional standards and hospital policies into nursing practice

Licenses

Registered Nurse, State of Georgia, 2014-present, RN#241369

ACLS, PALS, and BLS certification

Professional Experience

Travel Nursing- Healthtrust Workforce Solutions Agency St.Mary's Healthcare System-ICU

3/2022 to 6/2022 Athens, GA

- *Provided bedside care to patients in a 20-bed ICU unit for medical, trauma, surgical, and neurological conditions and illness.
- *Coordinated the assessment, diagnosis, treatment, evaluation, and monitoring of critically ill patients, utilizing a multi-disciplinary plan of care.
- *Managed life support equipment. Administered IV, oral, and injection medications as directed proficiently.
- *Provided basic airway management utilizing oral and nasal airways, Ambu bag, jaw thrust, head tilt/chin lift maneuvers, and suctioning. Functioned competently during codes.
- *Utilized therapeutic communication with patients and family members to provide support, comfort, and education critical care, inpatient needs, and discharge planning.
- *Primary care nurse to neurology patients: Post op craniotomies for tumor resections, Stroke patients, and patients who have sustained traumatic brain injuries and spinal-cord injuries.

Vascular Access Team Grady Memorial Hospital

4/2020 to 10/2021 Atlanta, GA

- *Provide clinical support for patients with intravenous and other vascular access needs in both outpatient and inpatient.
- *Served as patient advocate and educator by identifying, inserting, or assisting with placement of specific device short or long term according to patient's needs for IV therapy and phlebotomy.
- *Performed difficult and routinely peripheral IV and midline insertions utilizing state of the art ultrasound technology.
- *Access/de-access implanted ports, as well as provide maintenance, care, and evaluate patient's tolerance, and over all need for all central lines.
- *Provide education to medical staff, patient, and family throughout the hospital on up to date procedures and care of vascular access.
- *Assist physicians with selecting specific access for patients, insertion, and maintaining sterile techniques.

Preoperative / PACU Nurse / Ambulatory 4/2020

08/2018 to

Grady Memorial Hospital

Atlanta, GA

- *Patient admissions/ discharge /Pre-op screening
- *Obtain consent, labs, EKG, start and manage IVs
- *Admit patient to pre-op in a timely manner; identify patients and procedure being performed
- *Placement and monitoring of patient electronic vital sign monitoring equipment and assist anesthesiologists with local/regional blocks
- *Skillfully assess post-operative patients and swiftly intervene during adverse events
- * Effectively plan care of post operative patient from admission to Phase I recovery through discharge follows best practice standards as defined by ASPAN
- *Administers medications per PACU protocol for pain management and assesses efficacy of such medications
- *Identifies acute declines in patient status and utilizes critical thinking skills to effectively manage emergencies

Intensive Care Registered Nurse Grady Memorial Hospital 04/2016 to 08/2018 Atlanta, GA *Demonstrated extensive knowledge of multiple disease states and the various medications and products used to treat them when patient acuity is critical, including ventilators, tube feeding, hemodynamic monitoring, reading telemetry, and prepared for cardiac / pulmonary arrest.

*Responsible for direct patient care, assessment, medication administration, monitoring, and evaluating treatment therapies of critical patients: Trauma 1-2, Neurology, Post-op, Cardiac (MI's, Pre / Post Catheterization with stent placement, Fem-Pop Bypasses, Carotids), post mortem care, and procedures

*Worked alongside doctors, respiratory therapists, nutritionists, and other members of the healthcare team to provide quality patient care and assisting Physicians with various procedures at bedside.

*Talked with family during their time of grieving and consulted pastoral care and social work.

*Recover patients after procedures varying from cardio version to aortic aneurysm repair.

*Preceptor for new nursing hires when assigned.

Med/Surgical Nurse/General medicine Grady Memorial Hospital

10/2014 to 04/2016 Atlanta, GA

*Initial assessments, establishing goals, care plans, and discharge

*Provide basic patient care and treatments, such as taking temperatures or blood pressures, dressing wounds, treating bedsores, giving enemas, or catheter insertion.

*Additional roles include patient advocacy, performance improvement, leadership, problem solving, delegation, conflict resolution, and a team player.

Education

Associate Degree in Nursing Georgia Perimeter College 2014 Clarkston, GA