# Katrina Couperus

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# Licenses/Certifications/Skills/Qualifications

- -BLS and First Aid for Healthcare Providers, American Heart Association, Expiration: 10/2023
- -ACLS, American Heart Association, Expiration: 01/2024
- -Registered Professional Nurse New York State License Number: 743612
- -Registered Professional Nurse North Carolina License Number: 318713
- -Registered Professional Nurse Utah License Number: 11459074
- -Registered Professional Nurse Washington State License Number: RN60858620
- -Registered Professional Nurse Virginia License Number: 0001298664
- -Trained in Preventing and Managing Crisis Situations
- -Trained in Youth Empowerment Strategies
- -Trained in EPIC, Meditech (old and new version), MHARS, and NORA
- -Assistant volunteer for Chronic Pain Group Therapy

# **Education**

# **Bachelors of Applied Science in Nursing**

December, 2018

State University of New York at Canton

Canton, NY

- Recipient of both President's List and Dean's List honors.
- -3.89 cumulative GPA

# **Associate of Applied Science in Nursing**

May 2017

State University of New York at Canton

Canton, NY

- -Vice President of the Phi Theta Kappa honor society.
- -Recipient of both President's List and Dean's List honors.
- -Recipient of Heritage Award 2017
- -3.83 cumulative GPA

# **Clinical Practicum/Site:**

- -Fundamentals, United Helpers: Maplewood/Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Fall 2015.
- -Maternal Health, Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Spring 2016.
- -Mental Health, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Spring 2016.
- -Medical-Surgical I, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Fall 2016.
- -Medical-Surgical II, Canton-Potsdam Hospital, Spring 2017.
- -Emergency Department. Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center, Spring 2018.

#### Advanced High School Diploma

June, 2013

Ogdensburg Free Academy

Ogdensburg, NY

- -91.38 cumulative GPA.
- -Class Secretary, Earth Club, Art Club, Academic All-Northern, Earth Science Olympiad, High Honor Roll, Key Club, Model United Nations, Peer Tutor, Pep Band, Project Challenge, Prom Committee, Student Council, Scholar Athlete, Team Captain.

#### **Relevant Experience**

## **Registered Nurse**

Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center Progressive Care Unit Nov 2021-Jul 2022 Richmond, VA

- Worked in collaboration with Sickle Cell Specialists to deliver care to patients in crisis per an evidenced based practice protocol specific to research done at the university.
- Conferred with Intensivists on patient status and need for a higher level of care.
- Competent in reading and understanding medical terminology in provider written notes and in placing patient summary notes.
- Created strategies and skills to work in a fast-paced environment while still delivering exemplary patient care and with experience knowing when to slow down to prevent error in a hectic environment.

#### **Registered Nurse**

Henrico Doctors Hospital Progressive Neurovascular Care Unit Dec 2020-Oct 2021 Richmond, VA

- Worked in conjuncture with neurosurgeons and neurologists to formulate best plan of care for patients pre and post craniotomy.
- Monitored imaging and testing completion for stroke workups, such as echocardiograms, head CTs, MRIs, and carotid ultrasounds.
- Listened to patient needs and worked in conjuncture with occupational therapists as well as physical therapists to aid in getting devices and adaptive equipment to aid in rehabilitation.
- Trained new oncoming staff utilizing motivational interviewing to help create an environment of teamwork and patient centered care.

# **Registered Nurse**

Canton-Potsdam Hospital Progressive Care Unit Dec 2018-Oct 2021 Potsdam, NY

- Gave care to patients pre and post operatively with surgeries including hemicolectomy, amputation, hip/knee/ankle replacement, I&D, chest tube placement, hernia repair, breast augmentation and excess skin removal, line placement, cholecystectomy, appendectomy, and more surgeries of the like.
- Worked frontline from the start of the pandemic on the COVID unit, adapting to daily new policy and procedure as research and findings were released about COVID.
- Assisted in emergent central line placements, chest tubes, intubations and keeping the sterile field sterile.
- Performed and documented direct patient and family centered care and patient education according to nursing standards of practice.

# **Charge Nurse/Per Diem**

Saint Lawrence Psychiatric Center Children and Youth Feb 2018-Apr 2019 Ogdensburg, NY

- Delivered specialized, compassionate patient care utilizing the nursing process of assessment, planning, intervention, implementation, and evaluation in the psychiatric care setting.
- Effectively communicated with patients, patient's families, and other patient care team members to facilitate optimal patient outcomes.
- Established priorities for nursing action according to patient's needs and formulated appropriate care.
- Utilized training from Preventing and Managing Crisis Situations to deescalate combative patients in crisis to settle and treat needs.