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OVERVIEW

Proven leader with 16+ years of critical care experience in a high acuity institution Experienced rapid response nurse and preceptor/mentor to new hires and graduates House clinical coordinator/nursing supervisor employing strong administrative skills

EXPERIENCE

PROVIDENCE MISSION HOSPITAL - MISSION VIEJO, CA

CARDIAC ICU NURSE – JUNE 2006 TO PRESENT

RAPID RESPONSE NURSE - NOVEMBER 2014 TO PRESENT

HOUSE CLINICAL COORDINATOR/NURSING SUPERVISOR - NOVEMBER 2019 TO PRESENT

Pre-Anesthesia Care Unit Nurse – August 2020 to Present

CARDIAC ICU NURSE

Caring for critically ill adult population focusing on cardiac, respiratory, and general surgical procedures

Collaborate amongst a multi-disciplinary team utilizing advanced technology, evidencebased practice, and nursing driven protocols

Implement advanced competencies:

- Recovering CABG patients from immediate post-op onward
- IABP (Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump)
- HACA (Hypothermia After Cardiac Arrest), including induction, maintenance, and rewarming phases
- CRRT (Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy) initiation and maintenance
- ARDS patients requiring Rotoprone therapy
- Patients requiring ECMO

RAPID RESPONSE NURSE

Lead alongside team members in ED/OR/IR environment caring for critical patients
Manage and care for emergent, critically ill, and unstable patients in ICU/ED
Provide clinical support in OR/IR environment for trauma/neuro/stroke patients
Assess, evaluate, and initiate policy approved interventions for at-risk patients or those presenting with a decline in status

Assist in prioritizing and intervening in critical care patients to expedite treatment and patient flow from ED/in-patients units to improve outcomes

Assist in managing critical care patients in emergency situations, including: Code Stroke, Code STEMI, Code Hemorrhage, Code Blue, Code Sepsis, while also acting as a clinical resource to the Trauma Team

Provide clinical support to acute care nurses

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Administrative Supervisor at acute care 265 bed, comprehensive stroke, STEMI, and level II trauma receiving center

Responsibly manage patient flow, placement coordination, staffing, and facilitation of quality hospital service

Lead hospital operations as a resource and support in the absence of administrative department heads

Serve as a nursing resource and intervene in dynamic situations with patients and/or families in medical crises

Employ verbal, written, and interpersonal communication skills that promote and enhance leadership among staff, patients, families, physicians, and ancillary departments

PRE-ANESTHESIA CARE UNIT NURSE

Provide immediate care of post-op patients (adult and child population)

Assess, evaluate, and treat acute post-op complications

Concisely communicate with and educate patients and their families

Communicate with care team, advanced practice providers, physicians, Allied Health, and support staff members

Demonstrate high level of professional practice fostering collaboration and teamwork

CERTIFICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

CCRN (Adult) - Critical Care Registered Nurse

ATCN - Advanced Trauma Care Nurse

ENLS - Emergency Neurological Life support

NIHSS - National Institute of Health Stroke Scale

ACLS - Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support

PALS - Pediatric Advanced Life Support

BLS - Basic Life Support

Member of American Association of Critical Care Nurses (since 2006)

EDUCATION

Associate Degree in Nursing, Saddleback College (May 2006) Graduated Magna Cum Laude

RN to MSN Program, Aspen University (September 2021 – Present) Three classes from obtaining a BSN degree