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Work Experience

RN Supervisor

KINDRED HOSPITAL - Sycamore, IL

December 2014 to Present

- Responsibilities

I currently am working as the night nursing supervisor who monitors all 69 beds in this critical care hospital. I worked as a registered Nurse in our high acuity unit for 3 years prior to this taking care of critically ill patients. I deal with a lot of ventilators, tracheostomys, Foleys, IV's/PICC's, and any other type of tube you can think of! I also have become comfortable with telemetry/interpretations while supervising the telemetry tech. Kindred is a Long term acute care hospital where we care for people who have had some unfortunate situations arise, from GI issues, wounds and drains to respiratory, cardiac and multiorgan failure. Some of our tasks are to wean poeple off of the ventilators, heal wounds, and rehab the people who have endured brain injuries. All of our patients are very fragile and we strive to help them return to their normal lives after discharge. I work nights and teamwork and communication are crucial to save the lives of our patients. There are many codes that require a great team to revive the patients. I am very comfortable with my nursing skills and critical thinking and my workers look to me for guidance and advice.

Skills Used

ACLS, assessments are key in this area, IV's, suctioning ventilators, G tube care, intensive care IV drips, frequent codes and midline insertions

RN

Maxim Healthcare Services - Naperville, IL

March 2016 to November 2016

With this company I took care of a 6 year old with Leighs disease out of his home as well as a 19 year old. They were both chronic ventilator and mickey tube patients. Here i did all of their daily routines and activities with them including medication administration, trach care, suctioning, ventilator management, CPT treatments, nebulizers, ADL's, physical therapy etc. I left this position due to conflict working nights at Kindred and days here.

Registered Nurse I

Dekalb clinic - Sycamore, IL

April 2011 to January 2015

Responsibilities

I performed nuclear stress tests, pharmacological stress tests as well as stress echo's In the cardiology department. I also work for the electrophysiology doctors from rockford cardiovascular associates and set up angiograms, icd/pacemaker implants and changeouts, ablation a etc.

Accomplishments

I received my acs certification and learned to read/interpret rhythm strips. I also have grown to understand how the cardiovascular system works in depth.

Skills Used

EKG interpretation, IV insertion, med administration, communication.

Registered Nurse I

Illinois family home health - Pingree Grove, IL

December 2011 to April 2012

Responsibilities

I went to the patients homes after they were discharged from the hospital to help ensure they will not be re admitted. I performed nursing procedures and helped with patient education to help with their daily lives.

Accomplishments

I learned how to implement my nurse skills and how to work/think as an RN.

CNA - Certified Nursing Assistant

Advancer - Genoa, IL

October 2007 to April 2012

Responsibilities

I worked with severely disabled mentally and physically handicapped residents. I passed medications, did g tube feedings/meds, helped with ADLs and did programs with the residents.

Skills Used

Cna skills and communication with nonverbal individuals.

Education

Rn in Nursing

Waubonsee community college - Sugar Grove, IL

2009 to 2011

General education in Gen eds

Kishwaukee college - Malta, IL

2007 to 2009

Skills

- Detail Oriented
- thorough
- Fast Learner
- compassionate
- easy to get along with

Certifications and Licenses

ACLS

January 2013 to January 2023

BLS

January 2006 to October 2022

Basic life support

Nurse's License

State: Illinois