

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PAST PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Legal Nurse Consultant
Licensed Respiratory Therapist (RCP)
Licensed Registered Nurse (RN)
Manager of Discharge Planning and Quality Assurance
Manager of House Supervisor's
Hospital Nursing Supervisor
Certified Critical Care Nurse (CCRN)
Certified Oncology Nurse
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE)
Electrocardiograph Technician (EKG)
Electroencephalograph Technician (EEG)
Cardiopulmonary Technician
Registered Medical Assistant (RMA)
Continuing Education Provider by the Board of Nursing (BRN CEP)
Advanced Cardiac Life Support Instructor (ACLS)
Basic Cardiac Life Support Instructor (BCLS)
Life Care Planner
BRN# CEP 10768 expired
BCLS Instructor expired
ACLS Instructor expired

NURSING EXPERIENCES

Nursing Supervisor over ICU, ER, Med-Surg, Obstetrics, Surgery (Outpatient & Inpatient)
Intensive Care/Critical care/Recovery Room (PACU), Open Heart
Trauma/Emergency Room/Burn Unit
Medical/Surgical Patients
Labor/Post-Partum
Surgery Center
Convalescent Homes/Rehabilitation/Home Care/Sub-acute (long term life support & brain damaged patients), psychiatric
Pediatric Cardiopulmonary
Homecare
Interventional Radiology

SPECIAL CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES

RN License #456862 exp. 8/20/16
ACLS exp. 10/30/16

RCP License #00001141 exp. 7/20/16
BCLS exp. 10/30/16

MEDICAL CASES THAT I HAVE CONSULTED ON

More than 600 cases to include plaintiff & defense in medical malpractice, personal injury, product's liability, workers compensation & criminal

DEPOSITIONS/TRIALS AS EXPERT WITNESS

2 Criminal trials
140 Medical malpractice depositions
1 fraud deposition
24 Medical malpractice and/or Elder Abuse trials
1 Court of Claims
5 Medical malpractice arbitrations
3 Mediations
2BRN Hearings for the Defendant Nurse

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants (AALNC)
American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN)
California Society for Respiratory Care (CSRC)
American Association of Respiratory Care (AARC)

PAST PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Tulare County Board of Supervisors Advisory Board for Drug and Alcohol Abuse 1999
Instructor- IV Therapy, Ventilator Management; Basic Arrhythmia; Oxygen Modalities; Heart /Lung Sounds, Legal Issues in Critical Care, Forensic Evidence Collection in Sexual Assault Cases, Medical Legal Issues for Nurses

PROFESSIONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Advanced Critical Care Nursing
Nurse Week
Advance for Nurses
AARC Times
Respiratory Care Journal
Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting
American Journal Critical Care
Critical Care Nurse
AACN News
AACN Bold Voices
Advance for Respiratory Care & Sleep Medicine

EDUCATION

Medical-Legal Consulting Institute, Inc.
2476 Bolsover St., Suite 632
Houston, Texas 77005

Certification in Legal Nurse Consulting
Attended-10/98

California State University Dominguez Hills

BSN classes
1992

College of the Sequoia's
915 S. Mooney Blvd.
Visalia, Ca. 93277 (559) 733-7871

Degree-Associate Science Nursing
Attended-9/88-5/90

Fresno Community College
Fresno, Ca.

Prerequisites for nursing program
1986-1988

San Joaquin Valley College
Visalia, Ca. 93277

Graduation certificate in Medical Assistant Course
Attended-9/82-2/83

Kings River Community College
Reedley, Ca.

Basic college courses
Attended 1976-1977

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1999-present
Medi-Legal Consultants, Inc.
P.O. Box 1229
Lakeside, Ca. 92040
Position-Legal Nurse Consultant

04/2002-12/27/10
Alvarado Medical Center
6655 Alvarado Rd
San Diego, Ca. (619) 287-3270
Positions-Interventional Radiology
In the past- ER, ICU & Nursing supervision
Responsibilities-patient care for ICU, ER, House Supervision, Med-Surg, Telemetry, Step-Down & Radiology patients. JCAHO preparedness

2000
Allstar Staffing
San Diego, Ca.
Positions Held-RN in the ICU & ER

10/99-2003
Nurse Finders
8555 Aero Drive
San Diego, Ca. (800) 356-7828
Position Held-ICU & ER primarily but also other hospital settings to include med-surg, telemetry, outpatient surgery
Responsibilities-patient care in various hospital settings

1/96-10/99

Hanford Community Medical Center, Anita Natividad
450 Greenfield

Hanford, Ca. 93230 (559) 582-9000

Position Held-Nursing Supervisor and overtime in ICU/ER nurse

Responsibilities-Manager of Nursing Supervision. Responsible for all of the patient units to include bed control, patient admissions, staffing the units with nursing personnel, and patient complaints.

In charge of assuring that patient care is delivered adequately and accurately by assuring that Standards of Care and hospital policies are carried out by the staff and physicians.

The clinical expert and resource for all of the nursing staff/units. Responds to all patient care situations that requires expert knowledge to include, but not limited to, trauma, life and death situations, life support, and medication issues.

Active in updating hospital policies to meet Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAHO) Standards. An active participant during the Department of Health and JCAHO on-site visits.

Homecare preparation for JCAHO visits. Adventist Health representative for CALNOC.

I did frequent chart audits and chart review related to patient complaints and quality assurance (QA).

ICU/ER nurse-keeps my clinical skills current by continuing to work in ICU/ER as a floor nurse. This continued experience keeps me knowledgeable in patient care for a simple diagnosis of pneumonia or a broken ankle to a more complex diagnosis such as a gunshot wounds to cardiac and respiratory arrest.

11/91-1/96

KQC Staffing

433 Keats

Fresno, Ca. 93710 (800) 287-2199

Position Held-Registered Nurse-ICU/CCU/Trauma/Burn Center/ER/Med-surg/Post-Partum, Surgery

Responsibilities-KQC Staffing staffs acute care and long term care facilities on a day by day or as needed basis with qualified nursing staff. I worked at 20 different hospitals between Merced and Bakersfield while working for KQC Staffing. Frequently working 3-4 different hospitals in one week. The patient care areas I worked in included Charge Nurse, neuro units, open heart, burn units, surgical and medical units, trauma (gunshot and stab wound victims to motor vehicle accident patients), labor and post-partum, convalescent homes, sub-acute facilities, rehabilitation hospitals, outpatient surgery and home care.

1991-1993

Premiere Health Services-now out of business

Address & phone number unknown

Fresno, Ca.

Position Held-Registered Nurse-ICU/CCU/Trauma/Burn Center/ER/Med-surg/Post-Partum & other areas

Responsibilities-RN responsibilities in various units similar to KQC staffing

6/90-1/92

Tulare District Hospital, Denise Perry

869 N. Cherry Ave

Tulare, Ca. (559) 688-0821

Position Held-Registered Nurse-ICU/CCU

Responsibilities-patient care in ICU/CCU

4/86-4-88

Valley Children's Hospital, Linda Austin

9300 Valley Children's Place

Madera, Ca. 93638 (209) 353-3000

Position Held-Cardio-pulmonary Technician

Responsibilities-pediatric EKG, echocardiogram assistant and treadmill stress tests

6/83-6/88

Lindsay Hospital Medical Center, Dennis Coleman

740 N. Sequoia

Lindsay, Ca. 93247 (559) 562-4955

Position Held-Licensed Respiratory Therapist, EKG & EEG Technician

Responsibilities-all respiratory therapy modalities to include breathing treatments, arterial blood gases, life support (ventilator's or respirator's), EKG, EEG, adult coronary treadmill stress tests, pulmonary function tests and homecare visits of respiratory patients.

2/83-6/83

Sequoia Medical Center

590 W. Putnam

Porterville, Ca. 93257 (559) 784-2176

Position Held-Registered Medical Assistant

Responsibilities-assistant to the physician in the doctor's office