

Nursing

RESUME

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QUALIFICATIONS

I have 25 combined years of experience in Critical Care Nursing and Engineering. As a Certified Legal Nurse Consultant (CLNC) I have a unique background in all three disciplines of legal nurse, nursing, and engineering to critique all medical files and technical reports. I continue to work as a bedside critical care nurse across the country while adapting to new challenges and continuously staying current with all national and state guidelines on the Standards of Care. This unique background and experience enables me to customize and adapt to the individual needs of each client.

EXPERIENCE

EHELPS

May 2006-Present

Certified Legal Nurse Consultant (CLNC) - Consulting Expert for plaintiff and defense attorneys. Services include but are not limited to: screen/investigate cases for merit, define applicable standards of care and deviations and adherences to the applicable standards of care. Assess alleged damages and/or injuries, identify factors that cause or contribute to alleged damages and/or injuries identify and recommend potential defendants, conduct literature research, analyze and compare expert witness reports and other work products. Prepare deposition and trial examination questions, and assist in exhibit preparation.

Northside Hospital, St. Petersburg FL

March 2008 – Present

Emergency Department as both Staff and Charge Nurse. Care for patients with acute stroke (CVA), hemorrhagic bleeds, acute heart attacks (MI) dissecting aortic aneurysms, pulmonary emboli, respiratory failure, acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), GI Bleeds, Gunshot Wounds, and Cardiac Arrest. Care of patients requiring management of critical drips, intubation, and mechanical ventilation to acquire stability prior to being transferred to Critical Care Unit. Also, care for numerous non-emergent patients.

Northside Hospital, St. Petersburg, FL

February 2007- March 2008

Travel Nurse Assignment in a 16-bed Critical Care Unit (CCU). Responsible for delivery of care to critically ill patients requiring mechanical ventilation, titration of critical drips, hemodynamic monitoring and computer charting. Also floated to Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit (CVICU) caring for open-heart patients on critical drips, mechanical ventilators and Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP). Travel Nurse Assignment in Emergency Department.

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EXPERIENCE

Valley Medical Center, Renton, WA

July 2006-December 2006

Travel Nurse-Critical Care Nurse in a 19 bed CCU.

Memorial Hospital of Tampa, Tampa, FL

December 2005-March 2006

Seasonal Contract Nurse- PACU Nurse recovering both inpatient and outpatient surgeries.

Banner Good Samaritan Hospital, Phoenix, AZ

August 2005-November 2005

Travel Nurse-Assignment at a Magnet Hospital-Level I trauma facility. Critical Care Nurse floating between CVICU, CCU, MSICU, Neuro ICU, Trauma ICU, and ER hold. Experienced with Train of Four, ventriculostomy, paralytic drips, critical cardiac drips, external pacing, hemodynamic monitoring, ventilators and computer charting.

Ketchikan General Hospital, Ketchikan, AK

May 2005-August 2005

Travel Nurse- Critical Care Nurse in a 4 bed ICU. Also floated to labor and delivery and cared for postpartum patients and newborns.

Community Hospital, New Port Richey, FL

October 2004- April 2005

Seasonal Contract Nurse-Critical Care Nurse ICU

Power Personnel, San Francisco, CA

August 2004 -October 2004

Travel Nurse-Critical Care Nurse in a Neuro Intensive Care Unit at University Of California San Francisco Medical Center, San Francisco, CA. Responsible for critical care of postoperative patients with subarachnoid hemorrhage Grades I-IV, anterior & posterior spinal surgical patients.

Vital Associates, Inc. Tampa, FL

May 2005-February 2007

Per Diem Critical Care Nurse for (7) hospitals in Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties.

M&M Staffing, Largo, FL

June 2002 -November 2005

Per Diem Critical Care Nurse for (7) hospitals in Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties.

Morton Plant Hospital, Clearwater, FL

February 2000 -June 2002

Registered Staff Nurse on telemetry unit and CVICU.

Helen Ellis Memorial Hospital, Tarpon Springs, FL

May 1999 - February 2000

Patient Care Tech III (Graduate Nurse) responsible for caring for patients on telemetry unit.

EDUCATION

VICKIE MILAZZO INSTITUTE Certified Legal Nurse Consultant, 2006	Houston, TX
GRACELAND UNIVERSITY B.Sc., 2005, Major: Nursing.	Independence, MO
ST. PETERSBURG COLLEGE A.Sc. 1999, Nursing, Received high honors in Nursing.	St. Petersburg, FL
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA B.Sc., 1984, Major: Engineering Sciences	Tampa, FL
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA B.A., 1981, Major: Chemistry	Tampa, FL

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Legal Nurse Consultant (CLNC)
Basic Life Support (BLS) Certification
Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Certification