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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

Doctor of Nursing Practice, Acute Care and Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, expected 2013

Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, North Chicago, IL

Master of Science in Healthcare Administration and Management (Honors), 2009

William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL

Associate of Applied Science in Nursing, 2009

Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL

Bachelor of General Studies in Psychology with Biology minor, 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Peer Tutor, Nursing Program, William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL, 2008-2009

- Tutored junior and senior level nursing students with nursing skills, course concepts, studying skills, test-taking methods.
- Skill tested and validated junior level nursing students with IV medication reconstitution, administration and pumps, central venous catheter care and oral and central line medication administration.

Certified Cardiographic Technician/Paramedic, iCardia Healthcare, Lake Forest, IL, 2005-2006

- Provided transtelephonic patient care related to cardiac arrhythmias.
- Obtained and interpreted cardiac event single-lead ECGs.
- Performed quality assurance and control of ECG analyses.

Telemetry Technician, Northwest Community Hospital, Arlington Heights, IL, 2004-05

- Interpreted and documented multi-lead ECG telemetry.
- Performed 12- and 15-lead ECGs of adult and pediatric populations.

EMT-Paramedic, Iowa County Ambulance Service/Marengo Memorial Hospital, Marengo, IA, 2003

- Provided basic and advanced life support care for emergency, routine and transfer requests in pre-hospital and emergency department settings.
- Provided direct supervision of EMTs.

Nursing Assistant and Certified Pharmacy Technician, University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics, Iowa City, IA, 2001-04

- Provided basic nursing patient care on neurosurgery, medical-surgical, intensive care, burn and medical-psychiatric units and in level I trauma/emergency department.
- Performed phlebotomy, basic laboratory tests and CPR.
- Interpreted, inputted and filled prescriptions and compounded medications.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE & CERTIFICATION

NCLEX-RN Examination, expected to be scheduled June 2009

National Incident Management System ICS-100, 200, 700a, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 2009-present

Poison Prevention Educator, Illinois Poison Prevention Center, 2008-present

Certified Cardiographic Technician, Cardiovascular Credentialing International, 2006-present

EMT-Paramedic, State of Iowa, 2003-present

Advanced Cardiac Life Support provider, 2002-present

Neonatal Resuscitation Program provider, 2002-present

Pediatric Advanced Life Support provider, 2002-present

Basic Life Support provider, 1999-present

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Emergency Nurses Association, 2008-present

Co-Chair of Symposium Exhibits, Symposium Committee, Illinois State Council

- Recruit exhibitors for annual conference and facilitate exhibit hall.
- Develop and publish exhibitor prospectus, brochure and exhibitor satisfaction surveys.
- Cut expenses for publication production and marketing strategies

Communications Committee Member, Illinois State Council

- Promote professional goals, communicate with members, and heighten visibility of organization through Web site.
- Increase efficiency of communication through interactive methods of communication and promotion.

Finance Committee Member, Illinois State Council

National Student Nurses' Association, 2008-2009

President, Harper College Student Nurses Association, December 2008-2009

- Served as chairperson of the Board of Directors and representative to the National Student Nurses Association (NSNA).
- Represented the voice of the nursing students and collaborate with nursing administration and faculty.
- Organized and facilitated class and community events and activities.

Vice President, Harper College Student Nurses Association, May 2008-December 08

- Created and developed bylaws, officer descriptions and duties, and mission, values and goal statements.
- Increased student membership and organized and instilled student participation.
- Facilitated community and charitable student volunteering.

Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society, 2008-present

American Nurses Association, 2007-present

American Assembly for Men in Nursing, 2007-present

LANGUAGE

Spanish, Speak and Write at basic level, Read at intermediate level.

HONORS

Student Service Award, 2009

- William Rainey Harper College, Palatine, IL

Outstanding Senior Thesis Award, *Mental Illness Labels and Their Negative Consequences*, 2006

- Roosevelt University College of Professional Studies, Chicago, IL

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

First Aid Merit Badge Volunteer Instructor, Boy Scouts of America, 2008-present

Health Outreach Programs Volunteer, Harper College, 2008-2009

Nursing Volunteer, Back to School Health Fair sponsored by State Senator Dan Kotowski, 2008

Emergency Preparedness Volunteer, Cook County Department of Public Health, 2008