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Experience

09/2021 - Current
Clearview Horizons
Andover, MA

Nurse Practitioner

- Work with clients to provide psychopharmacological care within an outpatient mental health setting
- Provide medication recommendation(s) based on client's current challenge areas and treatment goals – such as starting, maintaining, or tapering off medication(s)
- Upon receiving client consent, collaborate with client's treatment team (such as therapist) to provide holistic client care
- Offer Consultation appointments for individuals who are seeking a second opinion regarding their current medication plan

● 06/2020 - 09/2021
HealthDrive
Framingham, MA

Nurse Practitioner

- Provided initial evaluation intakes and follow-up care for patients
- Performed mental health exams, recommended and evaluated medications as well as lab tests
- Answered patient and family questions to educate on optimal treatment options
- Collaborated with LICSW colleague to develop a tailored plan of care for each patient
- Worked closely with house medical team and nursing staff to ensure effective mental health care, while maintaining patient safety and dignity
- Completed legal work including Med certs for legal guardianship and conservatorship, and Rogers initial and renewal treatment plans
- Competent with multiple tools to assess for cognitive capacity
- Oriented new NP hire to facility

● 05/2016 - Current
Lawrence General
Hospital
Lawrence, MA

Registered Nurse

- Registered nurse in Surgical Day Care and the Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU)
- Responsible for ensuring high quality and efficient care of each patient across the peri-anesthesia spectrum, including pre-op and post-op
- Duties also include charge nurse role and precepting of new employees
- Participated on task force committee for new surgical center
- Collaborated with peers and management to ensure a safe and smooth transition for employees and patients into the new building
- Worked in dedicated Covid ICU during 2020 pandemic

● 07/2007 - 05/2016
Lahey Hospital &
Medical Center
Burlington, MA.

Registered Nurse

- Registered nurse in an Ambulatory Surgery unit
- Cared for patients across the surgical spectrum, including pre-operative/ post-operative, interventional, and neuro-interventional radiology patient populations
- Gained experience in the charge nurse role: responsible for insuring and maintaining patient flow, as well as overseeing staff nurse assignments
- Acted as peer resource and preceptor
- Collaborated with multidisciplinary services, including the pre-operative center, operating room, and the main PACU, to deliver the safest and highest quality care to patients
- Participated in unit -based projects and peer review
- Part of a team that created and implemented a newly designed pre-op checklist for floor staff nurses
- Mentored a UMass Lowell nursing school student for her senior preceptorship
- Engaged in research and its integration into practice, specifically intraoperative music therapy, and its effect on patient pain scores in the recovery room
- Registered nurse in Pre-operative Center: was responsible for conducting health assessments on pre-surgical patients and determining whether to involve anesthesia and/or surgeon based on the interpretation of the patient's pre-op testing

● 07/2004 - 07/2007
Lahey Hospital and
Medical Center
Burlington, MA

Registered Nurse

- Registered nurse on a neuro-telemetry floor
- Charge Nurse: attended bed board meetings with nursing supervisors and other charge nurses to coordinate patient admission and flow
- Served as a resource to peers and developed staff assignments
- Trained and mentored new RNs on best practices, hospital policies and standards of care
- Conducted patient assessments and diagnostic tests to provide physician with important patient health information used to create focused treatment plans and manage ongoing care

Education and Training

● 08/2019
Weston, MA

Master of Science in Family Nurse Practitioner
Regis College

- Cum laude graduate
- Research proposal: The Effects of Intra-operative Music Therapy on Patient Pain Reports in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit

● 06/2004
Lowell, MA

Bachelor of Science in Nursing
University of Massachusetts - Lowell

Graduate School Clinical Rotations

- Lawrence Catholic Academy-School Based Health (2019)
- Andover Obstetrics and Gynecology-Women's Health (2019)
- Lawrence General Hospital-Intensive Care Unit (2019)
- Lahey Hospital and Medical Center-Preoperative Center (2019)
- Middleton Family Medicine-Primary Care (2018)
- Lahey Hospital and Medical Center-Neurosurgery clinic (2018)

Certifications

- AHA Healthcare Provider CPR Certification
- Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Board Certified
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse in State of Massachusetts
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse in State of New Hampshire

Memberships

Massachusetts Nurses Association

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners