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SUMMARY

Highly qualified professional nurse with extensive background in a variety of healthcare settings. Utilizing the nursing process, I possess the ability to provide a solid knowledge of comprehensive nursing care to enhance the health and wellness of my clients served. Reputation as a self-directed professional, with superior problem solving, teaching, and management/supervisory skills. Successful in managing time, prioritizing tasks, and organizing projects, to improve the delivery of quality healthcare.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

California State University, Fresno. School Nurse Services Credential Program

2019-Present

Instructor

- Assist students in preparation of skill building, critical thinking and evidence based practice to meet the credentialing requirements (CCTC) and become a competent Credentialed School Nurse.

Hanford Elementary School District. 714 N. White street Hanford, California

1992-Present

District School Nurse

- Health professional serving a population of over 6,000 students, their families and 500 employees, I am the resource that facilitates the bridge between health care and education.
- Leadership to coordinate delivery of multifaceted health services to increase student learning by improving the health status and knowledge of children, their families and staff members.
- Develop, coordinate, and implement district health training programs for staff, students, and families.
- Provide ongoing supervision of licensed and non-licensed assistive personnel.
- Instrumental in developing guidelines in compliance with current state laws, school board policies and administrative regulations.
- Develop and implement Individualized Health Care Plans and Emergency Action Plans for students with chronic health conditions or special needs.
- Conduct health screenings, generate and assist families with referrals and follow-up care. Act as a liaison between students, their medical provider and their families.
- Preceptor/Mentorship of BSN students through Pacific Union College, and CSU, Fresno and Sacramento School Nursing Credentialing programs.

- Assigned as the District Healthy Start Coordinator during the planning stage of the grant application. Assisted with gathering data and information to support the grant and starting phase of the Healthy Start Program.
- Served as an integral team member on various planning committees such as, Disaster Planning, Wellness Committee, LEA Committee, Air Quality Planning Committee.
- Cultivated community partnerships to expand resources and services to the district, schools and families.
- Serve on the School Attendance Review Board (SARB) providing and connecting families to supportive resources to facilitate improvement in attendance and truancy.

**CSNO School Nurse Academy California School Nurse Organization, Sacramento, CA
2016-2018**

Facilitator/Instructor

- The Academy is the result of 2015 CSNO strategic planning in that school nurses needed professional learning support to help navigate them through their initial years as a school nurse: until they could be admitted into a school nurse credentialing program. The Academy consists of 8 modules-3 days in a classroom setting and 5 modules are completed online. The student may apply and purchase university credit of 4 units, or receive 60.5 CEUs. Topics that are covered in the modules are: The role of the school nurse, supervision of licensed and non-licensed staff, immunizations, physicals, legal aspects, growth and development review, special services, \such as OT, PT, APE and coordination of care, medication administration training, vision guidelines and screening, injury prevention, financing school health programs and required school staff training.

**Tulare-Kings County Office of Education Migrant Program. Visalia, California
1994 -1995**

Migrant Nurse (Summer School)

- Provided health services to students, their families, and employees during two summers of migrant education. My role was to educate and train the staff in dealing with emergency procedures and student safety, as well as training for some specialized procedures provided to students with health conditions. Monitored and supervised all healthcare procedures and prevented any potential hazards with student safety. Organized and participated in Health Fairs with other community services. The service coverage was provided to multiple school districts throughout the county of kings and Tulare.

**Kings County Office of Education Summer School at Shelly Baird
1993-1994**

Summer School Nurse

- Provided medically necessary nursing services to children attending the summer session. Student's are severely disabled and need a high level of nursing care. Supervision of licensed LVN's and non-licensed nursing assistants.

**Kaweah Delta District Hospital. Visalia, California
1987-1992**

Registered Nurse

- Provided direct care to patients on a busy medical-surgical unit. The majority of the patients were Nephrology (kidney) patients with multi-systems failure such as, diabetes and cardiac conditions. As the case manager in the planning and implementation of care for the patient from admission to discharge, as well as, other services such as physical therapy, occupational therapy and home health; meeting the rehabilitation and discharge needs of the patient. Monitor and supervise the

patient while receiving hemodialysis. Instruction and assistance with CAPD (continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis). Assigned as needed, to the Special Care Unit for patients requiring a higher acuity than the regular unit; but less than the Intensive Care Unit. Mentorship of registered nursing students from the local colleges as well as orientation of newly hired registered nurses. Supervision of licensed vocational nurses as well as, non-licensed personnel.

Queens Medical Center. Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, Hawaii

1981-1984

Psychiatric Tech / Licensed Practical Nurse

- Part of a team in providing treatments and interventions to patients with a various psychiatric disorders. Assisted patients with activities of daily living, group therapy, and occupational therapies. Provided a controlled environment where patients could interact socially, being able to foresee and control volatile or hazardous situations as needed. Monitoring of patient's vital signs and reporting of change in patient's status/condition to the supervisor. This facility consisted of two units, one being a volunteer day clinic and the other being an inpatient treatment center, where patients were committed through a court order.

Crouse-Irving Memorial Hospital. Crouse Avenue, Syracuse, New York

1976-1979

Licensed Practical Nurse

- Providing nursing care and support to patients with orthopedic/sports injuries and surgical procedures. Assist in setting up traction and other treatments for orthopedic injuries.

EDUCATION

Cambridge College

2007-2008

- Masters in Education with Emphasis in School Nursing

Research focused on students with special needs and health issues affecting the learning environment.

California State University at Fresno. Fresno, California

2007

- Nursing 180T Teaching and Nursing Strategies for Nursing Education

California State University at Fresno. Fresno, California

1992-1995

- Health Services Teaching Credential

My clinical experience included various school settings from pre-school to high school, as well as Shelly Baird School for the severely disabled.

University of the Pacific (Pacific Union College) 1 Angwin Avenue, Angwin, California

1990-1992

- Bachelors of Science and Nursing Degree

As part of my clinical experience I was able to work closely with the Director of Nursing and shift supervisors at Hanford Community Hospital. I also had an extensive clinical rotation at the Kings County Health Department as a Public Health Nurse.

College of the Sequoias. 915 South Mooney, Visalia, California 93277

1984-1987

- Registered Nursing and Associate of Science degree

My clinical experience included all facets of Nursing from OB/GYN, Nursery, Pediatrics, Med/Surgical, Psychiatric, Orthopedics, ICU and Geriatrics.

BOCES- Board of Cooperative Educational Services. Thompson Rd. East Syracuse, New York 1974-1976

- Licensed Practical Nurse.

Two students from each high school throughout the local counties were selected to attend this program during their junior and senior year of high school. Students were selected through a testing and qualification process. Upon graduation from high school, I also graduated from this program as a Practical nurse. Throughout this vocational training, I was able to have clinical experiences in all areas of nursing, such as medical-surgical, psychiatric, orthopedics, geriatrics, pediatrics and medication administration. Volunteered with the American Cancer Society in community training of screening methods for early detection of cancer through self-exams.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/AFFILIATIONS/AWARDS

California School Nurses Organization (CSNO) member since 1993

- Served on the Board of Directors for the Central Valley School Nurses Organization, (CSNO) current position: Products Chair. Past positions: President (6-year term 2012-2018), Government Relations Committee (GRC), Arrangements Committee and fundraising committee.
- Served on the CSNO STATE Board of Directors as section president 2014-2016

National Association School Nurse member since 1993

Kings County Asthma Coalition, served as Chairperson

Kings County Maternal Child Health

Diabetes Coalition

California Teachers Association

National Education Association

CSNO Strategic Planning and Annual Leadership

“Distinguished Achievement in Respiratory Health” Award 2010

School Nurse of the Year /Excellence in School Nursing 2011-2012

“Best Student Advocate” Award National Education Association 2007

CSNO State Presidents “Above and Beyond Award” 2018

California Teachers Association and National Teachers Association “WHO AWARD” 2019

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

California RN # 417865

Public Health Nurse Certification # 49474

School Audiometrist # 5762

CPR & First Aid Instructor, American Health and Safety Institute

Certified Facilitator of the American Lung Association Open Airways for Schools Program

Certified Instructor of “Stop the Bleed” Program