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BACKGROUND

I am a Registered Nurse with extensive experience in providing care to a wide variety of medical and surgical patients, with certifications in both Emergency and Critical Care Nursing. In addition to having completed the certification process as a Legal Nurse Consultant (Certified), I have more than two years' experience as a professional liability investigator of potential medical malpractice cases in a wide variety of cases involving medical and surgical subspecialties. I have been recognized and deposed as an **expert witness** in several cases involving Emergency Nursing.

Areas of nursing expertise: Emergency Medicine, Cardiac, and Critical Care.

WORK EXPERIENCES

September 2019 to present Founder and Chief Executive
Altrium Consulting Services, LLC
Yonkers, NY

Founder and owner of this legal nurse consultancy, providing a myriad of services to attorneys (both plaintiff and defense), insurance companies, and hospitals. Services include review, summarization and assessment of the medical record, expert witness testimony, appropriate utilization of applicable standards of care, IME/DME, and medical research.

September 2019 to present Clinical Nurse I, Emergency Department
Allen Hospital, New York-Presbyterian Hospital System
New York, NY

*Responsibilities: care and monitoring of both outpatient and admitted patients in this busy, high-acuity urban Emergency Department, seeing more than 40,000 patients annually. In addition, I do frequent shifts as a **charge nurse**, directly supervising more than a dozen nurses and ancillary personnel.*

October 2023 to present Nursing Supervisor (per-diem)
St. John's Riverside Hospital
Yonkers, NY

Responsibilities: crisis management, rapid response incidents, staffing, including managing sick calls and ensuring the appropriate staff coverage for patients, patient flow/placement and other administrative issues in this 300+ bed suburban acute care teaching hospital.

February 2021 to April 2021 Clinical Nurse, Co-Vid Testing/Prevention
Vigilante Health Co.
New York Metropolitan area

Responsibilities: CoVid testing of cast and crew of the HBO television series “Awkwafina is Nora from Queens”, both on location and in studio.

July 2017 to September 2019 Professional Liability Investigator
Federation of Jewish Philanthropists (FOJP)
New York, NY

Responsibilities: Investigation of potential malpractice cases, including Letters of Claim and non-asserted cases (Alerts), in collaboration with client hospital’s Risk Management Department. Also, medical records review and summarization, as well as interviewing key health care personnel. Based at Montefiore Medical Center (Bronx, NY).

April 2014 to March 2021 Registered Nurse, Emergency Department
Northwell Syosset Hospital
Syosset, NY

Responsibilities: care and monitoring of both outpatient and admitted patients in this suburban Emergency Department, with a large population of both orthopedic and psychiatric patients.

July 2010 to August 2016 Registered Nurse, Emergency Department
John T. Mather Memorial Hospital
Port Jefferson, NY

Responsibilities included care and monitoring of both outpatient and admitted patients in this well-regarded suburban Emergency Department, which sees upwards of 40,00 patients annually.

September 2009 to December 2020 Registered Nurse, Telemetry (Cardiac) Unit
Montefiore Medical Center
Bronx, NY

Responsibilities included care and monitoring of patients who underwent percutaneous interventional catheterization (angioplasty ± stenting), ablation therapy, or pacemaker placement, as well as seriously ill patients requiring continuous cardiac monitoring. The unit is part of the Montefiore-Einstein Heart Center, a nationally recognized Center of Excellence for cardiac care.

January 2009 to June 2017 Registered Nurse, Emergency Department, Ward & ICU
Fishermen’s Hospital
Marathon, FL

Responsibilities included care and monitoring of both outpatient and admitted adult and pediatric patients in this small community Emergency Department. In addition, duties included care and monitoring of critically ill medical and surgical (post-op) patients. (Employed on a seasonal basis)

October 2005 to November 2009 Registered Nurse, Emergency Department
Brookhaven Memorial Hospital & Medical Center
Patchogue, NY

Responsibilities included care and monitoring of both outpatient and admitted adult and pediatric patients in this large (65,000 visits per year) suburban Emergency Department, which is also a Level II trauma center.

January 2001 to August 2005 Staff Nurse, Medical Intensive Care Unit
Lung Center of the Philippines
Quezon City, Philippines

Duties included care and monitoring of a wide variety of critically ill, (typically) intubated patients at this highly regarded tertiary care center responsible for the care of patients with severe respiratory problems.

October 1998 to January 2001 Health Education & Promotion Officer
National Voluntary Blood Services Program
Central Office, Department of Health
Manila, Philippines

Conceptualization and development of educational programs and materials, focusing on the promotion of voluntary blood donations, resulting in an approximate 50% increase of such behavior over a three-year period.

Oct. 1995 to Sept. 1998 Human Resource Management Assistant
National Capital Region, Department of Health
Manila, Philippines

Assisted in the management and recruitment of large numbers of public health workers in the capital city of Manila.

Nov. 1991 to Mar. 1995 Staff Nurse
Philippine Heart Center
Quezon City, Philippines

Worked in the Emergency Department, Surgical ICU and Recovery Room at this tertiary care center and training hospital, widely regarded as the finest in Southeast Asia; focused on cardiovascular care.

EDUCATION

2001 Master of Public Health (Health Education & Promotion)
University of the Philippines
Manila, Philippines

1990 Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Far Eastern University
Manila, Philippines

CERTIFICATIONS

- Legal Nurse Consultant – Certified (LNCC)
- Certified Legal Nurse Consultant (CLNC)*
- Certified Emergency Nurse (CEN)
- Certification in Critical Care Nursing – Adult (CCRN)
- Trauma Nurse Core Course (TNCC)
- Basic Life Support (BLS)
- Advance Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)
- Pediatric Advance Life Support (PALS)
- New York State Registered Professional Nurse
- State of Florida Registered Nurse*

* - *inactive*

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants (**AALNC**)
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses (**AACN**)
- Emergency Nurses Association (**ENA**)
- New York State Nurses Association (**NYSNA**)

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

January 2022 to present	New York Presbyterian Allen Hospital Adult Emergency Department Stroke Committee
July 2020 to December 2021	New York Presbyterian Allen Hospital Adult Emergency Department Flow Committee
September 2020 to December 2021	New York Presbyterian Allen Hospital Emergency Department Unit Practice Council
September 2020 to December 2020	New York Presbyterian Allen Hospital Evidence-Based Practice/Research Committee

COMPUTER SKILLS

- Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Outlook, and Excel
- Adobe Acrobat®
- EPIC ASAP Emergency Department EMR
- EPIC EpicCare Inpatient EMR
- Pyxis® Medstation System (CareFusion)
- Soarian™ Information System (Siemens)
- Sunrise Access Manager™ (Allscripts)
- McKesson AcuDose-Rx® (McKesson)
- IDX Carecast Enterprise Clinical System
- MEDHOST Emergency Dept. Information System (EDIS)
- Pro-MED Clinical Information System (Pro-MED)
- Alaris® Infusion System

CONTINUING EDUCATION

- *Over 100 CEU's, 2017 – 2022; available upon request*

REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST
