

CHARGE NURSE

Professional Summary

Objective: To obtain a RN position in Intake ,Case Management or on a Behavioral Health Unit.

Seasoned Charge Nurse with more than 10 years of experience on fast paced Dual Diagnosis /Chemical Dependency Unit and 13 years in Med-Surg.

Experience with Holistic multi-disciplinary coordination of care for patients,including collaborating with Case Managers, Physicians, Ancillary providers,Social Workers and other internal and external programs.

Experience de-escalating hostile and aggressive patients by use of least restrictive interventions and proactively ensured safety of patients and staff.

Skills

- Process evaluation
- Patient Care Planning
- Medical Record Auditing
- Detail oriented
- Critical thinking
- Strong work ethic
- Strong assessment skills
- Adaptability
- Collaboration
- CPI trained
- CPR

Work History

Charge Nurse , 07/2018 to 09/2020

Company Name " City , State

- Assigned and delegated responsibilities based on staff competencies and patient needs.
- Provided intervention medication as ordered and support to patients with acute,chronic and drug induced mental illness.
- Ensured that doctor's order were efficiently carried out, including testing, medical procedures,consultations and stat orders for psychiatric /medical emergencies.
- Performed daily nursing assessments on assigned patients,including assessment of mood,suicide,safety risk and narrative of patient's daily activities.
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Intake Nurse , 09/2019 to 04/2020

Company Name " City , State

- Perused referrals and conducted RN to RN report from other facilities seeking admit to determine if patient was appropriate.
- Performed admission assessments focusing on patients with acute symptoms of mental illness and polysubstance abuse.
- Monitored suicidal,psychotic and patients in active withdrawal and maintained safety until transferred to designated unit.
- Acted in accordance with facility policy and appropriate nursing care.
- Provided compassionate and empathetic care to patients in safe, therapeutic environment.
- Administered PO and IM psychotropic medication as needed while monitoring patients for side effects.

Charge Nurse , 03/2006 to 10/2016

Company Name " City , State

- Provided care on busy Chemical Detox and Dual Diagnosis unit. Assessing the health of patients using specialized knowledge and skills,and anticipating the outcome of nursing interventions.
- Assigned and delegated responsibilities based on staff competencies and patient needs.
- Consulted and coordinated with healthcare team members to assess,plan,implement or evaluate patient plan of care.
- Performed admissions and discharges.
- Provided therapeutic interactions with patients to assist them in identifying sources of Anxiety and Depression .
- Exercised effective judgement and medical training when handling psychiatric and medical emergencies.

Staff Nurse , 01/2004 to 03/2006

Company Name " City , State

- Provided rehabilitative nursing care involving ADL's and other issues to promote and restore independence in patients.
- Assessed patient vital signs,any status changes ,reviewed lab results and notified medical attending of any abnormalities when appropriate.
- Administered medications and treatments in accordance with hospital policy.

Staff Nurse , 03/2002 to 03/2004

Company Name " City , State

- Provided care on busy Med-Surg/ Oncology unit.
- Administered medications and treatments and monitored for signs of adverse effects.
- Established a caring,therapeutic relationship with patients and families.
- Collaborated with staff to form a plan of care based on clinical information and patient observations.

Staff Nurse , 06/1993 to 07/2001

Company Name " City , State

- Provided quality care to patients on busy Med-Surg unit.
- Prepped patient's for surgery. Administered pre-op meds,Maintained NPO status and intravenous access.
- Received patients back to unit postoperative and monitored for post -op complications such as shock, sepsis ,bleeding and the effects of analgesia.
- Notified Surgeon of any abnormal labs or changes in patient status and carried out orders as received.

Education

High School Diploma : 05/1982

Lincoln Park High School - City

General studies.

Associate of Applied Science : Nursing , 05/1993

Olive Harvey College - City

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