MARI CORDES, RN

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Work experience

Feb 2016 - Present

RN - Cardiology Progressive Step Down/ICCU/Telemetry *University of Vermont Medical Center*

Jan 2000 - Jan 2016

IV RN (2000-2016) and Vascular Access Educator (from 2006-2014)

University of Vermont Medical Center

- Designed and implemented hospital vascular access education and competency assessment programs for MDs and RNs, including peripheral IV insertion, ultrasound guided PICC insertion with modified seldinger technique, central line care and maintenance, and quality/safety issues.
 - Developed hospital vascular access policy, coordinated product evaluations, provided vascular access presentations for hospital and related offices.
 - Assisted with development of vascular access area of electronic health record.
 - Performed regular case reviews for Infection Control, Risk Management, and Quality Departments.
 - o Professional Presentations:
 - Vascular Access Matters
 - Infiltration and Extravasation (for pediatric nurses)
 - Neuropathology of Vascular Access Injury (national conference presentation)
 - Peripheral Ultrafiltration: Implications for Vascular Access (national conference presentation)

• Committees

- o Professional Nursing Education Council past member, past chair
- o Professional Nursing Coordination Council past member, past chair
- Central Line Simulation Curriculum Development and Ongoing Training Vascular Access member trainer
 - for medical students and residents
 - for nurse observers
- Infection Prevention
 - past CLABSI committee member
 - Quarterly Infection Prevention Committee member
- o Evidence Based Practice Committee
- Quality
 - past Central Line FMEA: Co-lead Coordinator with Home Infusion Lead
 - past Central Line Rapid Redesign: Member
 - past Intra-osseus Access Committee: Co-Lead

Dec 2008 - 2016 Owner

Vermont Vascular Access, LLC

Vascular Access Services and Consulting

Provide individual and institutional vascular access inservicing, policy reviews and recommendations, expert legal case review, and PICC placement using ultrasound guidance, modified seldinger technique, and current standards of bundling practices. Will also train qualified individuals in peripheral IV and PICC insertion.

Behavioral Health Center, CVMC

2000 - 2007 RN General Surgery, Burn-Shock-Trauma, Orthopedics

University of Vermont Medical Center

Worked in General Surgery unit (general surgery, vascular surgery, burn/trauma) and floated to orthopedic unit and IV team

1988 - 1992 Staff RN and Charge RN Medical Surgical

Copley Hospital

- Recognized as pt. advocate for policy change re: venipuncture
- Member Physician-Nurse Collaborative Practice Committee
- Library/Research Committee

1992 - 1998 Assistant Director of Nursing

Greensboro Nursing Home

- Facility Infection Control Nurse
- Staff Supervisor and Educator
- Trained RN's, LPN's, and LNA's
- RN's and LPN's: technical equipment, peripheral IV insertion and venipuncture lab sampling, assessment skills
- Supervised managed, and taught laboratory and phlebotomy procedures
- Developed curriculum for and taught 2 week Mindfulness Based Hospice Trainings for staff, residents, and Greensboro community members

Publications

"What Would Joan Do?"; Advance for Nurses, September 8th, 2008; Feature Article on Horizontal Violence

"A Multitiered Strategy of Simulation Training, Kit Consolidation, and Electronic Documentation is Associated with a Reduction in Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infections"

Education

Sep 1985 - May 1988 Associates

Vermont College of Nursing

Awards:

- Magna Cum Laude
- Ruby Carr Award for Highest Academic Record
- Betsy Carter Award for Superior Clinical Skills and Compassion

Sep 1977 - May 1982 Bachelor of Science

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Portfolio

[&]quot;What Would Joan Do?"; Advance for Nurses, September 8th, 2008; Feature Article on Horizontal Violence http://nursing.advanceweb.com/Article/What-Would-Joan-Do-1.aspx



What Would Joan Do

Interest		
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Music (making, and listening)

Wilderness experiences, kayaking, cross country skiing, hunting

Homesteading

Travel - have traveled extensively in India, Africa and many other countries. Worked for 2 months as an RN with the Vermont Global Village Project in a village in Ghana, West Africa.

Organized medical teams to deploy every week for 6 months after January, 2010 earthquake in Haiti, and led 1st two teams on the ground.

Member of Team Vermont, a group of medical professionals providing triage and medical care in Lesbos Greece to refugees fleeing Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq (January, 2016).

Text section

AWARDS

- Edward B. French award for clinical excellence (awarded by physicians, Copley Hospital)
- Sigma Theta Tau-Kappa Tau Nursing Excellence Award for Practice and Administration
- Daisy Award nominee (multiple)
- Healthcare Hero