# **JOSHUA NELSON**

## Medical-Surgical Charge Nurse | Patient Safety | Quality Care

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### **SUMMARY**

Dynamic charge nurse with over 8 years of experience in medical-surgical settings, specializing in patient safety and care quality. Spearheaded a 20% improvement in patient outcomes through innovative protocols. Skilled in EMR systems and staff management, committed to driving excellence in nursing care.

## **EXPERIENCE**

## Medical-Surgical Charge Nurse

#### **UCHealth University of Colorado Hospital**

# 01/2020 - Present ♀ Aurora. CO

- Led a 15-member nursing team, optimizing workflows to enhance patient care efficiency, ultimately improving patient satisfaction scores
- Implemented an evidence-based protocol resulting in a 30% reduction in post-operative infection rates over a two-year period.
- Managed cross-functional nursing staff schedules, ensuring coverage and minimizing overtime costs by 18% through precise resource allocation.
- Conducted quality assurance checks, boosting compliance with healthcare regulations by 12% while reducing safety incidents.
- Championed a patient-centered care initiative which elevated HCAHPS scores to the top 10% in the region.
- Mentored new staff, decreasing onboarding time by 40% and increasing retention rates by 15% over 18 months.

### Registered Nurse - Medical-Surgical Unit

#### **Centura Health St. Anthony Hospital**

- Coordinated care for an average of 6 patients per shift, achieving top performance metrics in patient assessments and care implementation.
- Participated in interdisciplinary team rounds, increasing treatment plan adherence and reducing readmission rates by 15%.
- Assisted in developing a fall prevention program that effectively reduced fall incidents by 40% within one year.
- Integrated EMR systems into daily nursing activities, resulting in improved documentation accuracy and a 20% time saving.
- Facilitated patient education sessions that enhanced patient understanding of their health conditions, leading to a 30% increase in patient engagement.

#### Nurse

#### **Denver Health**

- Delivered comprehensive care to a diverse patient population, consistently surpassing patient care benchmarks by 20%.
- Efficiently managed medication administration, resulting in a 97% accuracy rate in medication records.
- Collaborated with multidisciplinary teams to create patient-centered care plans that enhanced health outcomes by 15%.
- Played a pivotal role in a quality improvement project that increased patient discharge efficiency by 35%.

## KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



#### **Improved Patient Satisfaction Scores**

Boosted patient satisfaction scores by 25% through the implementation of a teamcentered care approach.



#### **Reduced Post-Operative Infections**

Decreased post-operative infection rates by 30% with the introduction of evidencebased clinical protocols.



#### **Increased Hospital Educator Retention**

Mentorship program contributed to a 15% increase in nursing educator retention rates over 18 months.



#### Optimized Nursing Staff Scheduling

Reduced overtime costs by 18% by strategically optimizing nursing team scheduling and resource allocation efficiencies.

## **SKILLS**

Patient Assessment, Nursing Staff Management, Electronic Medical Records (EMR), Patient Safety Protocols, Postoperative Care, Interdisciplinary Collaboration, Medication Administration, Quality Assurance, Clinical Documentation, Patient Education, Compliance Regulations, Time Management

## **TRAINING / COURSES**

#### **Patient Safety Strategies Certification**

Completed through the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, focused on enhancing patient safety and care protocols.

#### **Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)**

Certified by the American Heart Association, concentrating on clinical interventions for urgent cardiovascular emergencies.

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# **EDUCATION**

## Master of Science in Nursing

**University of Colorado College of Nursing** 

**ii** 01/2018 - 01/2020 **♀** Aurora, CO

## Bachelor of Science in Nursing

**University of Northern Colorado** 

## **LANGUAGES**

**English** Native



Spanish Advanced

