

JOAN ROONEY, RN

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OBJECTIVE

Registered Nurse, highly skilled in emergency, urgent and general care, strives to utilize 27 years of experience to provide the highest quality of care and promote positive contribution to the ever-changing field of healthcare

FUNCTIONAL SUMMARY

- Multi-tasking nurse in walk-in center, providing emergent and non-emergent care
- Experience with Worker's Compensation, chart reviews and reconciliation
- Worked with support staff on new computer programs being initiated
- Emergency Department nurse in 35 bed, level 2 Trauma Center, serving 60,000 annually

EMPLOYMENT

St. Vincent's Medical Center

Bridgeport, Connecticut

June 1981-September 2010

Immediate Health and Work Care Center

- Triage and treated all age groups with various health needs
- Onsite testing for flu, strep, pregnancy, blood sugar/hemoglobin, urine tests
- Certified for secure collection of urine and hair samples for outside testing
- Performed audiometry, both at bedside and in audiometry booth, spirometry testing, EKGs, Visual Acuity exams
- Performed chart reviews for performance indicators, necessary follow up visits or phone calls, to arrange Worker's Compensation benefits for those with work related injuries
- Performed phlebotomy, injections, including immunizations and flu shots
- Recognized and followed protocols for those illnesses reportable to the State and Local Health Departments

Emergency Department

- 21 years experience
- Nominated for Distinguished Nursing Award, several commendations for "Bright Ideas", a hospital-wide cost cutting program
- Performed triage, primary and secondary assessments
- Provided ongoing monitoring and rapid response to changes in condition
- Proficient in critical care activity, including conscious sedation, cardiac, neurological and traumatic emergencies

- In acting as charge nurse, determined staff assignments, coordinated with local EMS providers and communicated with senior management and other resources to maintain patient flow
- Participated in quality assessment programs, attended Peer Review sessions, served on the Interview for Staff Hiring, Trauma Prevention and Sepsis Bundle Committees
- Designed and implemented chart forms and flow sheets used in the Emergency Department

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Certified RN in State of Connecticut
- Achieved and maintained level II status on the Nursing Clinical Ladder program
- Certified in Basic Life Support, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support with certification to teach, Trauma Nursing Core Course, Fundamental Critical Care Support, Certified Emergency Nurse, attended CEN review course
- Member of the team that developed and initiated a media-recognized trauma prevention program which was required by the American College of Surgeons for St. Vincent's to achieve its designation as a level II trauma center
- Trained for Haz-Mat emergencies and Management of Aggressive Behavior
- Reviewed patient charts for several criteria and provided reconciliation, remediation and data entry as appropriate
- Worked with teaching at the bedside, have been preceptor to many, taught at annual educational blitz
- Developed several chart forms, revisions and flow sheets, used in the ED
- Served the community by participating in Health Fairs, participation in SWIM Across the Sound fund raising events, participated in the American Diabetes Association Walk as part of their Fairfield Project Planning Committee

EDUCATION

**St. Vincent's Medical Center School of Nursing
and Sacred Heart University**

1980-1983

- Registered Nurse diploma
- Additional coursework towards BSN

LANGUAGE

- English
- Some Spanish