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**CAREER OBJECTIVE**Practice as a Registered Nurse in a setting that emphasizes holistic care for patients and their families, and facilitates and supports my growth and development as a professional nurse. **EDUCATION**University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC; 8/02-05/06Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree *BSN*  **WORK HISTORY**Registered Nurse:Roy Lester Schneider Hosp NICU St. Thomas US Virgin Islands

Travel Company: TruStaff Travel Nursing August 8 2011- November 5 2011

Registered Nurse:Duke University Hospital and Duke Infusion Durham, NC

June 1 2010- July 22 2011

Registered Nurse: Duke University Hospital Intensive Care Nursery Durham, NC January 8 2007- May 28 2010

Registered Nurse: Children’s Hospital of The King’s Daughters NICU Norfolk, VA August 2006-November 2006

**CAREER EXPERIENCE**•Care to both critical and non-critically ill neonates with congenital anomalies, extreme prematurity, and abnormal birth.•Provide respiratory and cardiac support via high-flow nasal cannula, CPAP, mechanical ventilation, high frequency jet ventilation, nitric oxide, chest tubes, and pressor drips.

•Provide care to pre and post surgical patients, including PDA ligations and GI surgeries. •Experience with infants requiring cooling therapy.

•Obtain blood and urine specimens; blood by heel sticks, venous draws, arterial sticks, and umbilical catheters. Experience with umbilical lines, broviacs, PICCs, and PIV lines.

•Assist with feeding infants; gavage feeds, G-tube feeds, breast and bottle feedings. Teach and assist parents with infant’s feeding problems, including pre-term infants.

•Act as a preceptor and mentor for new staff.

•Selected member of Duke ICN C.A.R.E team, focusing on unit cohesiveness between subdivisions of Duke ICN.

•Co-chair of AWHONN Late Preterm Infant Research Project for Duke and wrote current discharge instructions for Duke Special Care Nursery from the AWHONN guidelines.

•Focus on teaching and supporting parents and families of infants in order to promote partial or complete family involvement in caring for their infant.

•Experience with computerized documentation and electronic medical records. Personal experience with Careview, Caredoc, McKesson, Medtech, and eBrowser.

•Discharge Coordinator for Duke Pediatric Blood and Marrow Transplant Unit. Prepared transplant patients and families for discharge post transplant for a smooth transition to home.

•Arranged for resources and medical equipment needs at home.

•Prepared roadmaps and MedActionPlans to assist families with giving multiple medications, including intravenous, at home.

•Taught classes to prepare families of all backgrounds to care for their child after transplant including, central line care, blood draws, and home pumps for intravenous medication administration.

•Worked with insurance companies to assure payment approval for medications, services, and equipment needed at discharge.

**CERTIFICATIONS**NC Registered NurseUS Virgin Islands Registered Nurse

AHA Healthcare Provider BLSNeonatal Resuscitation Provider

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