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Ms. Kitchens has worked in nursing since 1995 and is currently employed as a Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) in Acuity Adaptable at Eskenazi Health since 2008; Clinical Faculty for Western Governors University in the BSN track since 2012; and CNS preceptor for IU School of Nursing since 2009. Previously she worked as a staff nurse at Community Hospitals Indianapolis in cardiac progressive care, medical-surgical, and women's health nursing where she was a two time recipient of the Nursing Leadership Scholarship. Jennifer is certified in Adult Health CNS, and Cardiovascular Nursing (CVRN). She is the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists Preceptor of the Year for 2014. Jennifer was awarded the Excellence in Nursing Practice Award from Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Alpha Chapter 2013, and awarded two research grants from the same organization in 2009 and 2013. Jennifer also served as Secretary and was on the board of directors in the same organization from 2012-2012. Jennifer currently serves as the Co-chair of the Indianapolis Coalition for Patient Safety Heart Failure Readmission Workgroup 2013. Jennifer has published on a variety of nursing topics and has presented at local, regional, national and international conferences. She graduated from Indiana University with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Masters of Science in Nursing in Adult Health Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS). Jennifer was Vice President of her undergraduate nursing class. While in her master's program, she received the Academic Achievement Award.

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