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# Top Skills

Nursing Healthcare Clinical Research

## Languages

English (Native or Bilingual) Spanish (Limited Working)

## Certifications

The Data Science of Healthcare, Medicine, and Public Health, with Barton Poulson

Lean Six Sigma, Green Belt

### Honors-Awards

Sister Elizabeth Durney Award Nurse of the Year Special Achievement Awards (2) Rep of the Year (3rd place)

### **Publications**

My Experiences in the First Year of Practice as a Cardiology Nurse Practitioner

# Melanie Schwartz Binshtok

Nurse Practitioner | Clinical Operations Director | Nursing Manager | ACNP-BC, AACC

Richmond, Virginia Area

# Summary

I weigh my professional success against the process improvements and changes I have a hand in executing. As an award-winning Nurse Practitioner and Administrative and Clinical Operations Director -- I strive to provide quality, evidence-based patient care, introduce actionable solutions to operational challenges, and encourage positive growth in the complex, high-pressure healthcare industry.

My leadership skills have encouraged quality results in patient care, clinical operations, and the achievement of target metrics. I am skilled at optimizing clinical performance and improving strategies across all levels of operation. I've established a proven track record for engaging cost-reduction procedures to increase revenue and retention rates in pursuit of common objectives. When I came on board in my current role, I was charged with repairing organizational finances -- increasing revenue by 70% in less than 12 months by implementing collection procedures, improving patient satisfaction scores, expanding contract sales, and improving retention rates from 30% to 52%.

## Career Highlights:

- Completed an adjunct professorship at Bon Secours College of Nursing and Virginia Commonwealth University where I educated multiple levels of nursing students in professionalism and preparedness curriculum, and advanced assessment
- Successfully recalibrated patient care strategies to reduce the percentage of Accountable Care Organization (ACO) patients with A1C >9% from 25% to 14% within the first six months
- Developed strategies for advanced practice clinicians (NP, PA, CNS) to reach RVU in 180 specialty and primary care facilities throughout the state of Virginia

- Managed various teams of clinical personnel and specialists
- BS and MS in Nursing

Specialties: Cardiology, Critical Care, Nursing Leadership, Education and Training, Public Speaking, Quality Process Improvement, Six Sigma, Health Maintenance

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# Experience

RVA Health and Wellness Nurse Practitioner, Director of Administrative and Clinical Operations June 2018 - Present (2 years 2 months) Richmond, Virginia

- Led a team of 15 professionals responsible for patient care, clinical operations, and attaining quality metrics
- Assessed operational needs, evaluated process improvement strategies, and implemented plans to reduce costs, improve retention rates, hire qualified staff, and enhance quality care protocols
- Increased revenue by 70% in less than 12 months by implementing consistent payment collection procedures, increasing contract sales, and driving customer retention rates from 30% to 52%
- Collaborated with staff to improve quality practices and maintain regulatory compliance, through patient satisfaction surveys and improved record-keeping procedures
- Drove social media marketing strategies in order to improve organizational awareness, customer acquisition, and brand positioning
- Delivered high-quality aesthetic, bio-identical hormone, IV nutrition therapy to adult clients, improving follow-up practices, and providing patients with an unparalleled level of quality care

Bon Secours Health System

9 years 6 months

Manager, Ambulatory Advanced Practice Clinicians February 2017 - Present (3 years 6 months)

Richmond, Virginia Area

- Developed strategies for advanced practice clinicians (NP, PA, CNS) to reach RVU in 180 specialty and primary care facilities throughout the state of Virginia
- Designed an updated compensation and bonus structure
- Implemented planning measures to restructure Advanced Practice Clinicians (APCs) in ambulatory practices
- Managed a team of 15-16 direct report nurse navigators
- Led APC Fellowship for new graduates
- Generated quarterly updates based on quantitative data analysis
- Served as lead point person responsible for peer training, overseeing the introduction of new processes, systems, and clinical documentation

Clinical Manager, Quality
July 2015 - Present (5 years 1 month)
Richmond, Virginia

- Recalibrated patient care strategies to reduce the percentage of Accountable Care Organization (ACO) patients with A1C >9% from 25% to 14% within the first six months
- Redesigned management plan to optimize quality metric accessibility for healthcare providers
- Modified specialty and primary care nursing workflows to improve patient outcome expectations, resulting in increased survey ratings in the 74th percentile
- Acted as a liaison for APC's to provide guidance and development training to staff and assure high quality, evidence-based nursing care standards

- Collaborated with SMART teams to direct the development of sound strategies for managing the needs of preventative and chronic patients

**Nurse Practitioner** 

February 2011 - July 2015 (4 years 6 months)

Cardiovascular Associates of Virginia

- Led the career advancement of new Nurse Practitioners and nurses
- Consulted with healthcare specialists to optimize care quality improvement strategies for pre-and-post op procedures for cardiac and electrophysiology patients
- Managed the execution of minor medical procedures

Virginia Commonwealth University Adjunct Faculty June 2011 - May 2014 (3 years)

Richmond, Virginia Area

- -Delivered professionalism and preparedness course to graduate level nursing students (1 credit)
- -Acted as lead lecture faculty for graduate health assessment course (3 credit)
- -Assisted with clinical rotation simulation for undergraduate senior students
- Served as adjunct faculty on clinical skills course (I&D, central lines, joint injection, suturing) for graduate students

#### **VCUHS**

Nurse Practitioner August 2010 - February 2011 (7 months) Urology

- Established quality care guidelines and ensuring enforcement by department management for all inmate interactions
- Conducted budget analysis of telemedicine procedures, resetting financial goals to reduce expenses

# Education

Virginia Commonwealth University

Master of Science (MS), Critical Care Nursing · (2008 - 2010)

George Mason University
BSN, Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse · (1989 - 1994)