

ABBIE PURNEY, DNP, RN, CCNS, CNE

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SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Self-motivated Clinical Nurse Specialist with over 20 years nursing experience in a variety of clinical settings and roles. I have over 10 years of experience in the area of regulatory bodies, compliance and disease specific outcomes. My wide range of nursing experience has served the growth and development of operations in quality-oriented healthcare organizations. In addition, mentored and developed student nurses as well as new graduate nurses for success at the bedside. Provided outcome focused education to all levels of the health care team. Demonstrates keen ability to build and develop programs that ensures superior patient care, collaboration, and many best practice initiatives.

ACHIEVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Worked with Education Advisory Committee and the Nevada State Board of Nursing to increase policies for simulation in Prelicensure programs from 25% to 50%
- Facilitated Practice Decision for nursing regulation related to Rapid Sequence Intubation for the Nevada State Board of Nursing
- Serve on the practice advisory board for the Nevada State Board of Nursing
- Created change process in the critical care education delivery at Valley Health System
- Created and implemented a strategic Cardiovascular Surgical Program for the Valley Health System
- Serves on the Chamberlain National Faculty Course Advisory Council for Adult Health Nursing

EDUCATION

Purdue University Northwest

Doctorate in Nursing Practice, Translational Evidence **2019**

Restraint De-implementation

Purdue University Calumet

Post Master's Certificate Critical Care CNS **2012**

Quality Improvement Project, Mobility of the Cardiovascular Surgical Patient

University Of Phoenix

Masters of Science in Nursing, Education Emphasis **2008**

Reduction of Ventilator Associated Pneumonia in the ICU

San Diego State University

Bachelors of Science **1995**

Nursing

AWARDS

Future of Nursing Award Winner Nursing Management	2018
March of Dimes Nurse of the Year Winner Advanced Practice	2014
March of Dimes Nurse of the Year Nominee Advanced Practice	2012, 2013
Nevada Nurses Association Nomination for Advanced Practice	2012

CERTIFICATIONS

- Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Certified Nurse Educator
- Micro credential – COVID 19 and Respiratory Care, AACN
- Basic Life Support Certification

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Chamberlain University – Assistant Professor/Visiting Professor **Aug 2020 – Present**
Facilitates didactic theory, lab, and clinical instruction for pre-licensure Baccalaureate nursing students to include Complex Care nursing, Evidence Based Practice, simulation, and informatics, Content delivery is Virtual as well as face to face.

Citizens School of Nursing – Nursing Instructor **Aug 2022 – April 2023**
Facilitates didactic theory, lab, and clinical instruction for pre-licensure Nursing students to include crisis care and complex medical/surgical care, and simulation, and informatics, Content delivery is face to face.

Purdue University Northwest – Visiting Faculty **May 2022 – May 2024**
Facilitates online instruction and oversight for RN-BSN students. Provides feedback as needed to students and coaches, manages course delivery to students and works with the team to provide evidence based curriculum.

UPMC Passavant Hospital – Advanced Clinical Educational Specialist **Sep 2021 – Aug 2022**
Provides classroom instruction for the new critical care nurses to include hemodynamics, basic arrhythmias, critical care concepts, simulation, emergency care, respiratory management, COVID 19 care. Oversees onboarding of new critical care staff. Participates in s unit hared governance and evidence-based practice strategies as needed.

Arizona College – Core Nursing Faculty **Feb 2020 – Aug 2020**
Incorporated didactic theory, lab, and clinical instruction for pre-licensure Baccalaureate nursing students to include Medical/Surgical nursing,

Evidence Based Practice, simulation, and tutoring. In addition, currently delivers content virtually as well as face to face.

Instructional Connections – Academic Coach Purdue Northwest**Sep 2019 – May 2023**

Provides online adjunct education by assisting lead faculty on course management by grading assignments, supporting students providing feedback to students and assisting with course design for an RN to BSN program

University Medical Center of Southern Nevada – Guest Lecturer**2014-2019**

Provided classroom instruction for the critical care course, ACLS/BLS, Progressive Mobility program, cardiovascular surgical care, and free flap Post-surgical management

Valley Health System - Clinical Lecturer and Instructor**2013-2014**

Provided classroom instruction for the critical care course, hemodynamics, cardiovascular surgery, mobility, therapeutic hypothermia, ACLS, BLS

University of Nevada Las Vegas, Home Hospital Clinical Instructor**Advanced Medical/Surgical, Gerontology, and Medical Surgical Nursing****2009-2013**

Provided clinical instruction to Baccalaureate Nursing Students. Assisted with clinical simulation and skills lab activities.

Desert Springs Hospital, Las Vegas, NV – Adjunct Critical Care Educator**2008-2012**

Provided educational courses to Registered Nurses to include cardiovascular care, critical care, intermediate care, basic pharmacology, ACLS, BLS, electronic medical record, and clinical simulation.

RELATED EXPERIENCE**Nevada State Board of Nursing, Las Vegas, NV****April 2019 – January 2020****Director of Nursing Education**

Regulation and oversight for all pre-licensure nursing programs and certified nursing programs in the state of Nevada. Reviews educational requirements for licensure, manages continuing education compliance, provides guidance and support to schools and programs as needed.

University Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV**Clinical Supervisor Surgical Intensive Care Unit****September 2017 – April****2019**

Supervises and provides leadership for the nursing staff in daily unit

functions; act as a clinical resource. Provides coaching, counseling and support as needed. Performs initial and annual evaluations. Maintains unit/bed flow on the unit. Participates in unit QI activities as needed. Monitors and manages payroll for unit. Assists with unit education activities and competencies.

University Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV

Director Professional Practice

October 2016 – September 2017

Provides leadership and oversight for nursing quality, clinical education and advance practice registered nurses. Facilitates shared leadership programs, nursing recognition, clinical programs. Clinical liaison for EPIC, policies and procedures, and professional development.

University Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV

Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist

August 2014 – October 2016

Developed processes, policies, competencies to support best practices. Participates on interdisciplinary teams to support critical care and hospital outcomes. Lead facilitator of disease specific program certifications. Provided additional education for department and hospital as needed.

Valley Health System, Las Vegas, NV

Clinical Nurse Specialist, Critical Care

August 2013 - August 2014

Provided education for critical care staff within the Valley Health System. Acted as a consultant in the critical care division to facilitate evidence-based practice at the bedside. Developed processes, policies and competencies to support best practice. Participated on committees to support unit, hospital, and system outcomes.

Desert Springs Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV

Cardiovascular Coordinator

2011-2013

Project Leader for system cardiovascular program. Implemented best practices to bedside care of cardiovascular surgical patients. Acted as liaison between patient, surgeon, and nursing staff. Evaluated patient outcomes. Provided staff education as needed. Implemented and revised organizational policies, procedures, order-sets, and protocols as needed. Functioned as nurse leader. Program coordinator for the Heart Failure program; facilitated disease specific certification.

Desert Springs Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV

Clinical Nurse Specialist **2009-2011**

Managed unit education and orientation needs. Monitored and evaluated evidence-based practices. Developed processes, policies and competencies to support best practice. Facilitated the multidisciplinary team and participated on committees to support unit, and hospital outcomes.

Desert Springs Medical Center, Las Vegas, NV

Clinical Supervisor, Intensive Care Unit **2006-2009**

Supervised the nursing staff in daily unit functions; acted as a clinical resource. Provided counseling and support as needed. Performed initial and annual evaluations. Maintained unit/bed flow on the unit. Participated in unit QI activities as needed. Assisted with unit education activities and competencies.

Boulder City Hospital, Boulder City, NV

Director, Critical Care and Medical Surgical **2005-2006**

Supervised the nursing staff in daily unit functions. Performed managerial duties such as interviewing applicants, hiring, and counseling of employees. Performed initial and annual evaluations. Functioned as house supervisor. Maintained daily staffing for multiple nursing departments. Coordinated PICC line program. Functioned as clinical resource.

Southern Hills Hospital, Las Vegas, NV

Charge Nurse, Step Down ICU **2004-2005**

Supervised the nursing staff in daily unit functions; acts as clinical resource. Provided counseling and support as needed. Performed initial and annual evaluations. Maintained unit/bed flow on the unit. Participated in unit QI activities as needed. Assisted with unit education activities and competencies.

Various Staff RN positions Medical/Surgical, IMC, and Critical Care **1995-2006****MEMBERSHIPS**

- American Association of Critical Care Nurses
- National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Pennsylvania Nurses Association
- American Nurses Association

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- Care of the Cardiovascular Surgical Patient in the ICU, Valley Health System, 2013
- Care of the Cardiovascular Surgical Patient in the IMC, Valley Health System, 2013

- Care of the Therapeutic Hypothermia Patient, Valley Health System, 2014
- Progressive Mobility in the ICU, Universal Health Services, 2014
- Management of Patient Care Delivery, New Graduate Residency Program, Valley Health System, 2014
- Implementing a Progressive Mobility Program in a 5-Hospital System- AACN, NTI 2015 Conference Presentation: <http://ccn.aacnjournals.org/content/35/2/e18.full>
- Rapid Sequence Intubation- Process and Changes To The Nursing Practice: <http://epubs.democratprinting.com/publication/?i=239611>
- Mission: Lifeline and the Patient's Journey STEMI Accelerator Conference, Presenter, American Heart Association, November 2015
- Opening Presentation, Chest Pain Accreditation, University Medical Center of Southern Nevada, November 2015
- Opening Presentation, Acute Myocardial Infarction, The Joint Commission, University Medical Center of Southern Nevada, April 2016
- Symposium Presentation National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialist; Collaborative CNS Rounding in the MICU, March 2017