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EDUCATION

Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
Currently pursuing Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree
August 2009 – Present

Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
Post-Master's Nurse Educator Certificate, August 2007

University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida
Master of Science Degree, December 1997
Major: Nursing

University of Tampa, Tampa, Florida
Bachelor of Science Degree, August 1993
Major: Nursing

Hillsborough Community College, Plant City, Florida
Associate of Science Degree, December 1981
Major: Registered Nursing

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified School Nurse, National Board for Certification of School Nurses
- Clinical Specialist in Community Health Nursing, American Nurses Credentialing Center
- Gerontological Nurse, American Nurses Credentialing Center
- Clinical Nurse Specialist License, State of Florida
- RN License, State of Florida

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1998 – Present

School Nurse Consultant
Student Support Services Project with Florida Department of Education, Bureau of Exceptional Education and Student Services. Provide technical assistance and training support to districts, schools, agencies, and families. Provide policy analysis and support to the Department of Education and related state agencies. Develop multidisciplinary training

and interdisciplinary support in the areas of health, social work, guidance, and psychology to advance student learning outcomes.

- 1993-1998 **Senior Community Health Nurse**
Polk County Health Department, Lakeland, Florida. School Health Services Team Leader, Immunization Outreach, and Healthy Start Program.
- 1986-1993 **Case Manager**
Visiting Nurses of Tampa Bay, Inc., Tampa, Florida. Performed admission assessments, conducted weekly team meetings regarding client's home health services, and participated on the Care Plan Improvement Team.
- 1984-1985 **Staff Nurse**
Community Convalescent Center, Plant City, Florida. Administered residents' treatments and medications.
- 1982-1984 **Clinical Nurse**
Lakeland Regional Medical Center, Lakeland, Florida. Medical-surgical hospital nursing and relief Charge Nurse responsibilities for patients with neurological, thoracic, and cardiovascular conditions.
- 1976-1982 **Petty Officer**
U.S. Naval Reserves, Tampa, Florida. Performed enlistment physicals and administered psychological screening assessments for recruit evaluations. Honorable Discharge.
- 1975-1980 **Licensed Practical Nurse**
U.S. Public Health Service, Outpatient Clinic, Tampa, Florida. Assisted physicians with outpatient services and medical procedures. Administered flu vaccine and conducted immunization clinics for international travelers.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Nurses Association 1985 – Present
- Florida Nurses Association 1985 – Present
- National Association of School Nurses 1997 – Present
- Florida Association of School Nurses 1997 – Present

- American School Health Association 1999 – Present
- Florida School Health Association 1998 – Present
- National Association of State School Nurse Consultants 1999 – Present

COLLABORATION/PRESENTATIONS

- 2009 Florida Association of School Nurses (FASN) Regional presentation in collaboration with Leon County Health Department on Meeting Student Health Needs
- 2009 Florida Department of Education Database Workshop video presentation: 2009 Compulsory School Immunization Update
- 2009 Florida State University, College of Education class presentation on meeting health needs for students with disabilities.
- 2008 Immunization Guidelines: Florida Schools, Child Care Facilities, and Family Day Care Homes. Presentation on Compulsory School Immunization Update and the Florida Immunization Registry at the Department of Education Database Workshop.
- 2007 Development of Florida School Health Administrative Guidelines to provide a reference for policy guidance on common school health issues for school nurses and school administrators in Florida.
- 2006 Development of School Nurse Delegation Technical Assistance Guidelines to clarify nursing standards for delegation of health care services in the school setting to ensure student safety.
- 2006 Development of Technical Assistance Paper on the Implementation of the Kelsey Ryan Act to address care of students with life-threatening allergies in Florida schools.
- 2005 Development of Care of Students with Asthma Guidelines to facilitate a systematic approach for the care of students with asthma in Florida’s public and private schools.
- 2003 Development of Care of Students with Diabetes Guidelines to assist school districts with the growing numbers of

children with diabetes to ensure that students with diabetes are provided a safe learning environment.

- 2003 Development of Medication Use in Schools: Resource Manual, Florida Edition to provide reference information and best practice policies on issues pertaining to medication use and administration schools.
- 2001 – 2007 Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Advisory Committee member to address and improve emergency care outcomes for children through a comprehensive and integrated statewide EMS system. Distributed Emergency Guidelines for Schools to each school/district in Florida as a basic “what to do in an emergency” for school staff when the school nurse is not on campus.
- 2001 – Present Reviewer, Journal of School Nursing
- 2000 – Present State Liaison, National Board for Certification of School Nurses
- 1999 – 2007 Member, American Red Cross/Disaster Health Services, Capital Area Chapter. Volunteered during several hurricane seasons in Florida and in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina.
- 1999 – 2006 Excellence in School Nursing: Statewide Orientation for School Nurses. Planning committee and presenter on Medication Administration, Students with special Health Care Needs/Exceptional Student Education, and Injury/Emergency Policy and Procedures.