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CAREER SUMMARY

Registered Echocardiographer with extensive experience in Adult and Pediatric Echocardiography seeking career opportunity which will utilize my experience and education, while offering an opportunity for continued personal and professional growth.

EDUCATION

Master's of Science Degree ▪ Organizational Leadership GENEVA COLLEGE ▪ Beaver Falls, PA

Bachelor of Science Degree ▪ Respiratory Therapy INDIANA UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA ▪ Indiana, PA

American Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers ▪ ARDMS Registered Diagnostic Cardiac Sonographer ▪ RDCS | Adult & Pediatric Echo

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Sonontemps, Palm Harbor, Fla, Nov, 2018-present, *Contract Cardiac Sonographer at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon, NH*

- *Perform Adult Transthoracic Echocardiograms utilizing GE E95, Phillips IE33 and Heartlabs CPACS and EPIC EMR

- *Perform Adult stress echos

- *Attend weekly educational sessions with cardiology fellows taught by Cardiology Attending MD's

Dallas Children's Medical Center, Dallas, Tx, Jan, 2018-Nov, 2018, *Pediatric Cardiac Sonographer*

- *Perform Neonatal, and Pediatric Transthoracic Echocardiograms and assist attending Pediatric Cardiologist with OR TEE's utilizing Siemens Acuson, Siemens SC2000, GE E95, Phillips IE33 and Siemens Kinetx CPAPCS and EPIC EMR

- *Rotate to Plano, Tx campus and participate in on call coverage there

- *Train Pediatric Cardiology fellows in image acquisition

*Attend biweekly educational sessions with cardiology fellows taught by Cardiology Attending MD's

Aureus Medical Staffing, Omaha , Ne, August 2017-December 2017 ,*Adult echocardiographer at Barnes Jewish Medical Center in St. Louis, Mo*

*Performed Transthoracic echocardiograms on high acuity adult patients utilizing the GE Vivid 7 and Phillips IE33, Cardioport/Prosolve CPACS and Compass EMR

*Trained first year cardiology fellows in echocardiography image acquisition

*Attended weekly educational conferences taught by Cardiology Attending MD's

Memorial Medical Center, Las Cruces, NM, Jan.30th-2017-July,2017,*Adult/Pediatric echocardiographer*

*Performed Transthoracic Echocardiograms on adult and pediatric patients utilizing GE E9, Phillips IE33, Freeland CPACS, Meditech EMR

*Performed TEE's and Stress echos on adult patients

*Prepared for initial echo lab accreditation, starting QI initiatives

*Suggested training with Pedaitrix at their outreach clinic close to us, since we send our peds echos to them, to learn their protocol better, since then our quality has improved greatly

*Developed standard work processes with management

AMN Medtravelers/Aureus Medical Staffing, Irving Tx, May 2016-Jan.2017, *Contract adult/pediatric echocardiographer at UPMC Hamot, Erie, Pa*

*Performed Transthoracic Echocardiograms on adult and pediatric patients utilizing GE S6, Phillips Epiq 7 and IE 33 and Fuji Prosolve CPACS, Cerner Powerchart EMR.

*Developed a standard work process for TAVR OR echos, developed an orientation manual for new travelers and employees, Suggested to the manager that they explore adding Color/Doppler charges for TEE's which they later discovered they had been missing, since they upgraded their EMR

* Performed TEE's and stress echos on adult patients

Christus St. Vincent Medical Center, Santa Fe, NM, June 2014 to April 2015, *Echocardiographer*

*Performed Transthoracic Echocardiograms, TEE'S and stress echos utilizing GE Vivid E9 and McKesson Horizon CPACS, Cerner powerchart EMR

*Updated Policies, ICAEL QA

Genesis Medical Staffing, Omaha, Ne, **Nov-2014** to May 2015, *Contract adult Echocardiographer a VA Medical Center in Albuquerque, NM*

*Performed Transthoracic Echocardiograms utilizing Philips IE33 and Xcelera CPACS

*Taught Cardiology fellows to perform echocardiograms

Tidewater Physicians Multispecialty Group, Newport News, Va, 2014, *Interim Technical Director*

*Responsible for Transthoracic echocardiograms, Stress echocardiograms, updated policies, procedures, and QA for ICAEL

US Scan, Fair Oaks, Va, 2014, *Mobile Echocardiographer*

*Responsible for Transthoracic echocardiograms in physician offices throughout Northern Virginia and Southern Maryland on a per diem basis

*Utilized Mindray M7 ultrasound machine and Studycast CPACS

INOVA FAIRFAX HOSPITAL | Fairfax, VA 3-2013 TO 9-2014 *Director of Cardiac Diagnostics*

*Was Responsible for 85 fte's while overseeing Echocardiography, EKG, Nuclear Cardiology, Central Monitoring, Tilt Testing, and TEE's at this 927-bed Level I Trauma Center.

* Collaborated with other department leaders on new strategies such as web-based Cardio enterprise, outsourcing Holter Monitoring, expanding the Adult Congenital Heart Clinic and TAVR clinic.

* Collaborated with the Lean Team to streamline processes to align with the systems' strategic objectives for quality, service and affordability.

*Implemented the use of Definity, a contrast agent used to enhance Echocardiography.

* Mentored team leaders in areas under my responsibility in improving their patient's experience while taking ownership for quality assurance in their respective areas

*Performed Trans-Thoracic, Stress Echo and Trans-Esophageal Echocardiography when staffing demands required additional help.

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH MEDICAL CENTER | Pittsburgh, PA 2006-2013

Mercy Hospital Campus ▪ *Echocardiography | Peripheral Vascular Lab Technical Team Leader* | 3-2009 to 3-2013

- * Achieved ICAEL accreditation twice with ongoing QA to maintain accreditation
- * Responsible for staff supervision, scheduling, patient flow in Lab, and image quality.
- * Worked closely with Medical Director in improving quality, as well as turn-around time.
- * Trained existing staff and all new hires, improving the quality of their images.
- * Implemented CME program for Echocardiography and Peripheral Vascular.
- * Served as Clinical Coordinator for Echo students in their externships through affiliation with Allegheny Community College Ultrasound program.
- * Selected as 1 of 50 Champions from a staff of 3000 for a hospital-wide Disney Institute initiative. Committee I served on was focused on employee Rewards, Recognition & Retention.
- * Implemented Employee of the Month program, while collaborating on a Non-Invasive Cardiology monthly newsletter.
- * Performed Echocardiography on Adults and Neonates, as well as Stress Echos and TEE's on GE Vivid 7, E9, Vivid I, Lumedx CPACS and Cerner Powerchart EMR

UPMC Passavant Campus ▪ *McCandless, PA Senior Echocardiographer* | 8-2008 to 3-2009

- * Performed 2D Echocardiography on Adults
- * Provide Stress Echocardiography and assisted in training other Sonographers in Stress Echo
- * Performed TEE's and assist Anesthesia with OR TEE's during Open Heart Surgeries.
- * Clinical Instructor for Echocardiography students
- * Developed Echo CME meetings with the Medical Director

UPMC Magee Women's Hospital Campus ▪ *Pittsburgh, PA Technical Director* ▪ *Echocardiography* | 10-2007 to 8-2008

- * Provide 2D Echocardiography on Adults and Neonates
- * Performed Right Ventricular Dyssynchrony studies for research
- * Performed Stress Echocardiography and TEE's
- * Clinical Instructor for Community College of Allegheny County Echo students
- * Responsible for Quality Assurance for accreditation
- * Responsible for digital storage of all Echocardiograms.

*Rotated into Maternal Fetal-Pediatric Echo to provide coverage (started training in Fetal Echo)

*Interned under the Organizational Development Specialist

UPMC Presbyterian Hospital Campus ▪ Pittsburgh, PA *Senior Echocardiographer* | 7-2006 to 10-2007

*Provided 2D Echocardiography; Heart Transplant patients, LVAD's,

* Adult congenital heart disease patients and research studies.

* Utilized contrast agents independently

*Provided Stress Echocardiography

* Worked with medical director developing shared digital storage, pooling our resources for staff members continued education. Data included: Powerpoint presentations and research articles provided by Cardiologists and Sonographers.

*Collaborated with the clinical coordinator, streamlining our teaching process for Echo students rotating through our facility

* Developed equipment optimization tip cards for all Ultrasound equipment which were attached to each machine as a resource for Sonographers and Cardiology Fellows.

GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS ▪ Milwaukee, WI 2007-2009 *Applications Specialist* ▪ Cardiac Ultrasound | Per Diem

* Provided Ultrasound Applications support to GE customers throughout the western Pennsylvania area on a per diem basis.

HERITAGE VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEMS | Beaver, PA 8-1998 to 7-2006 *Echocardiographer*

*Assisted Doctors with TEE's and provide 2D Echocardiography and Stress

*Performed Echo's at two hospital campuses; Medical Center in Beaver and Sewickley Valley Hospital in Sewickley, PA.

*Developed and improved policies and procedures

*Designed Stress Echo teaching cards for other Echocardiographers

* Developed a quality assurance program for accreditation

CANONSBURG HOSPITAL | Canonsburg, PA 1995-1998 *Echocardiographer* ▪ *Respiratory Therapist*

*Performed 2-D Echocardiography and Respiratory Therapy

ST. MARY'S MEDICAL CENTER | West Palm Beach, FL 1991-1995 Cardiopulmonary Diagnostics ▪
Echocardiographer

- * Provided Pulmonary Function tests to adults and children
- * Provided Pulmonary and Cardiac Stress tests to adults and children
- * Established IV's for tilt tests and stress tests
- * Assisted Doctors with Bronchoscopies for infants, children & adults.
- * Provided sweat testing to children, assisted with Cystic Fibrosis Clinic
- * Provided 2D Echocardiography and TEE's to infants, children & adults
- * Performed as a member of the CPR and Trauma team

GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL | West Palm Beach, FL 1988-1991 *Echocardiographer* ▪ *Respiratory Therapist*

- * Provided Respiratory Therapy to infants, children and adults
- * Provided metabolic studies to adults
- * Cross-trained into Echocardiography and performed 2D Echo's on infants, children and adults
- * Earned Intubation certification
- * Provided lead therapist duties on a rotating basis
- * Was the first Traveling Therapist to be employed at this facility
- * Performed as a member of the CPR team

References Are Available Upon Request