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## Qualifications

- Masters of Science in Nursing Education with skills in an online and face-to-face instructional methods and active teaching/learning strategies.
  - Bachelor of Science in Nursing with 13 years of clinical expertise in perioperative services.
  - Demonstrated achiever with exceptional qualities of leadership, teamwork, autonomy, and intellectual curiosity.
  - Enthusiastic and highly motivated as an instructor, healthcare provider and patient advocate.
  - Extensive use of advanced laparoscopic, robotic, and video surgical equipment.
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## Licensure/Certifications/Honors

- Current CNOR Certification
  - Licensed Registered Nurse in Georgia
  - Basic Cardiac Life Support Provider
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## Education

5/2013-5/2015	<b>Masters of Science in Nursing Education</b> , North Ga College and State University, Dahlonega, Ga
8/2005-8/2006	<b>Bachelor of Science in Nursing</b> , North Ga College and State University, Dahlonega, GA
8/2001-8/2003	<b>Associate of Science in Nursing</b> , North Ga College and State University, Dahlonega, GA

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## Professional Nursing History and Accomplishments

### 8/2015-present *Nursing Faculty*, University of North Georgia

- Coordinate Fundamentals of Nursing Practice course which includes clinical and lab components.
- Provide didactic and clinical instruction to students
- Perform duties of lecturer/instructor:
  - Teaching in a classroom setting. Providing instructions, testing and evaluating. Incorporating active instructional methods
  - Providing guidance to students based on their performance.
  - Teaching in clinical setting. Helping students acclimate to clinical setting, provide guidance while practicing safe patient care.
- Mentoring
- Advising Nursing and pre-nursing students
- Courses thought: *Adult Health II; Synthesis of Nursing Practice; Praxis, Fundamentals of Nursing Practice*
- Coordinated lab for Fundamentals of Nursing Practice course.
- Developed and implemented perioperative course: *Introduction to operating room nursing*. An online course with precepted clinical experience.
- *DETI certified*

**7/2015-6/2016 Registered Nurse, Northside Hospital/Surgical Services**

- Perform daily functions of an operating room nurse: preparing operating room, providing safe patient care during surgery as a circulating nurse and scrub nurse, communicate with perioperative team, facilitate inter-professional patient care.
- Maintained patient safety by verifying correct patient, surgery, and site with a formal “time out”, “final pause”, “call to order” process according to AORN and TJC guidelines.
- Supported surgeons and anesthesia personnel as room circulator and scrub nurse.

**6/2005-7/2015 Clinical Supervisor, Northside Hospital/Surgical Services**

*Robotics and Advanced Laparoscopy Service Line (10/2008-present)*

*Gynecology/Urology Service Line (6/2005-10/2008)*

- Provide leadership to staff by fostering teamwork and encouraging evidence-based practice.
- Orient new staff to department work flow, treatment and evaluation of the perioperative patient.
- Conduct unit-based in-services related to service line and general educational needs of department.
- Develop clinical educational offerings for staff supported by ANA with continuing educational credits.
- Conduct perioperative services day-long workshops educate staff on current evidence-based treatment therapies and institutional guidelines for implementing AORN and TJC standards.
- Continuously work with staff member on improving their skill level and the implementation of Evidence Based Practices in Surgical Services.
- Serve on committees to implement organization-wide process improvement and ultimate change.
- Participate in Clinical Advancement Program (CAP) as part of continued personal and professional advancement. CAP allows evidence-based research project development. My projects have focused on patient safety in the perioperative setting related to positioning, compliance with TJC guidelines for flash sterilization related to robotic instrumentation, proper documentation of autoclave records of sterilization, and implementation of verbal order documentation in Surgical Services.
- Support and participate in the organization of international surgical teleconferences.
- Conduct interviews for new staff hires.
- Conduct staff annual evaluations.
- Implement disciplinary process and provide coaching and development of staff under my direction as needed.
- Help prepare department and staff for TJC survey.

**7/2003-6/2005 Registered Nurse, Northside Hospital/Surgical Services-Operating Room**

- Completed operating room residency program and orientation for inpatient and outpatient surgery.
- Maintained patient safety by verifying correct patient, surgery, and site with a formal “time out”, “final pause”, “call to order” process according to AORN and TJC guidelines.
- Supported surgeons and anesthesia personnel as room circulator and scrub nurse.
- Oriented new staff and new graduates to surgical services.

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**Professional Presentations**

- Feb 2018 Presented at GANE- *Developing and Implementing an Elective Perioperative Course for BSN nursing students.*

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**Skills**

- Traditional and innovative teaching/learning strategies

- Face-to-Face and online teaching methods
- Sterile technique and surgical scrub
- Venous access
- Cell saver system
- Fluent in English and six Serbian dialects
- Microsoft office and Excel spreadsheet

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### **Professional Affiliations and Memberships**

- Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses (AORN)
- American Nurses Association/Georgia Nurses Association
- Georgia Association for Nurse Educators (GANE)
- Sigma Theta Tau

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