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Professional Summary

Dual-certified Nurse Practitioner (Pediatric and Adult-Gerontology) with over 25 years of clinical and academic experience spanning pediatric, adult, and sleep medicine. Demonstrated excellence in patient-centered care, program development, and mentorship. Recognized for leadership in multidisciplinary collaboration, research contribution, and continuous improvement of healthcare delivery.

Professional Experience

Nurse Practitioner and Senior Instructor, Department of Medicine – Sleep Medicine

University of Colorado Denver / UCHealth | September 2024 – Present

- Diagnose and manage adult patients with complex sleep disorders including sleep apnea, hypoxemia, narcolepsy, excessive sleepiness, and insomnia.
- Provide evidence-based treatment plans and collaborate with multidisciplinary teams to optimize patient outcomes.

Nurse Practitioner – HouseCalls Program

Optum, Division of UnitedHealth Group | 2022 – 2024

- Conducted in-home health assessments for Medicare and Medicare Advantage members.
- Collected health histories, vital signs, and screenings while educating patients on preventive care and chronic disease management.

Nurse Practitioner and Senior Instructor, Department of Pediatrics – Pulmonary & Sleep Medicine

University of Colorado Denver / The Breathing Institute, Children's Hospital Colorado | 2010 – 2022

- Delivered comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care for pediatric patients with sleep disorders, asthma, and other respiratory conditions.
- Co-managed the sleep laboratory, triaged urgent sleep studies, and coordinated care across multiple departments.
- Led multidisciplinary clinics with ENT and Orthodontia teams, supervised APPs and respiratory therapists, and mentored APP students.

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Neurosciences Department

*University of Colorado Denver / Children's Hospital Colorado | 2006
– 2010*

- Managed complex care for pediatric patients with neurological and neurosurgical disorders in collaboration with multidisciplinary teams.

Sales Associate (Part-Time)

Option One Mortgage Company, Denver, CO | 2007 – 2008

- Supported client relations and subprime lending solutions while maintaining compliance with financial standards.

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner – Emergency & Hospitalist Medicine

*University of Colorado Denver / Children's Hospital Colorado | 2003
– 2006*

- Delivered acute and follow-up care for hospitalized pediatric patients in emergency and inpatient settings.

Registered Nurse – Critical Care

Various Hospitals | 1994 – 2003

- Specialized in high-acuity critical care nursing with expertise in ventilator management and patient stabilization.

Education

Post-Master's Certificate, Primary Care Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner
University of Colorado, College of Nursing – May 2020
Magna Cum Laude

Master of Science in Nursing, Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
University of Colorado, College of Nursing – May 2003
Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Medical College of Georgia – May 1994
Magna Cum Laude

Honors & Awards

Nurse of the Year for Surgical Services – 2008, 2018

Professional Memberships

- Colorado Chapter, National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)
- American Academy of Sleep Medicine
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Board

Publications & Contributions

- Hines S., Crane S. Identification and Treatment of Pediatric Obstructive Sleep Apnea. Pediatric NP/PA Journal, Vol. 1, No. 2, pp. 12–14.
- Hines S., Halbower A.C. Sleep-Related Breathing Disorders in Children. In Kushida C. (Ed.), Encyclopedia of Sleep Medicine. Elsevier, 2012.
- Hines S. (2016). Sleep and Rest. In C. Burns (6th Ed.), Pediatric Primary Care. Elsevier.
- Hines S. (2019). Sleep and Rest. In C. Burns (7th Ed.), Pediatric Primary Care. Elsevier.
- Martinez D.J., Hamamsy K.C., Hines S.E., et al. (2022). Interprofessional Student-Led Outreach to High-Risk Older Adults During the COVID-19 Pandemic. Gerontology & Geriatrics Education, 43(1): 34–42.
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