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- Expertise** Obstetrics, OB, Midwifery, Labor & Delivery, Birth, Birth Injury, Birth Trauma, Birth Asphyxia, Maternal Morbidity, Maternal Mortality, Shoulder Dystocia, Fetal Heart Rate Tracings, Hemorrhage, Bleeding, Pregnancy, Prenatal Care, Intrapartum Care, Postpartum Care, Well Woman Care, Women's Health, Early Neonatal Care, Tongue Tie, Limited OBGYN Sonography, Cesarean First Assisting
- Education** September 2011 – September 2012
University of Minnesota – Minneapolis, MN
Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Degree
- November 2007 – June 2009
Frontier Nursing University – Hyden, KY
Master of Science & Nursing (MSN) Degree
Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM) Educational Program
Post-Master's Women's Health Nurse Practitioner (WHNP) Educational Program
- September 2006 – May 2007
Excelsior College – Albany, NY
Bachelor of Science & Nursing (BSN) Degree
- January 2006 – September 2006
Excelsior College – Albany, NY
Associate of Science & Nursing (ASN) Degree
Registered Nurse (RN) Licensure
- August 2002-August 2005
Medical Training Institute – Dallas, TX
Midwifery Program Mastery Certificate as a Certified Professional Midwife (CPM)
- Experience** June 2015 – December 2019 – **Program Director of Mercy Birthing Center & Faculty Midwife Service** – Mercy Hospital, St Louis, MO. Promoted from Program Manager to Program Director of Mercy Birthing Center. Served as integrative liaison to administrators, physicians, and other Mercy coworkers. Responsible for both long-range and daily operations of Mercy Birthing Center, including strategic planning, financial modeling, budgets, community integration, patient satisfaction, patient and coworker safety, clinical standards of care, staffing, and operations. Also provided full-scope maternity care. In 2017 I also launched Mercy's Faculty Midwife Service. Responsible for all of the above components associated with leadership. Also provided didactic instruction, clinical supervision, and research project guidance for OBGYN residents and medical students. Also functioned as a faculty clinician to establish and lead the team.
- July 2014 – June 2015 – **Program Manager of Mercy Birthing Center** – Mercy Hospital, St Louis, MO. Program Manager for the inception of Mercy Birthing Center, one of an elite subset of birthing centers located within an acute care facility. Responsible for establishing daily operations, staffing models, supply flows, clinical guidelines, community engagement, and facility integration.
- July 2010 – October 2013 – **Clinical Assistant Professor & Certified Nurse-Midwife** – Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology, University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics, Iowa City, IA. Faculty position as a midwife providing full-scope midwifery care, in addition to clinical teaching of medical students and OB-GYN interns, and collaboration with OB-GYN senior residents and staff physicians.
- 2011 – **University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing Adjunct Faculty** – Able to precept UIC students for local clinical rotations.
- January 2010 - July 2010 – **Labor, Delivery, & Postpartum Nurse** – Staff nurse at Mercy Hospital in Cedar Rapids, IA, providing labor, delivery, and postpartum care.
- 2007-2008 – **Physicians Clinic of Iowa Registered Nurse** – Employed at the Rheumatology Infusion Center in Cedar Rapids, IA. Job responsibilities included starting IV's, mixing and administering medications, monitoring, patient teaching, and assisting with incorporation of new computer system.
- 2007 – **Community Health Free Clinic Volunteer Registered Nurse** – Volunteer RN providing medical care to uninsured and under-served individuals in the greater Cedar Rapids community.
- 2007-2009 – **Professional Labor Support Course Instructor** – Taught classes with PLSC, a program to train doulas to provide physical and emotional support to laboring women. Both on-site and distance tutoring involved.