Curriculum Vitae

James B. Tormey, Clinical Nurse V VCU Health Systems – MCV Hospitals Virginia Commonwealth University VCU Health Systems

EDUCATION

1975 -1979	The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina Charleston, South Carolina Bachelor of Science, Education (Biology Specialty)
1990 – 1994	Riverside School of Professional Nursing Newport News, Virginia Diploma, Registered Nurse
2011- 2015	Walden University Minneapolis, Minnesota Masters of Science in Nursing (Informatics Specialty) Golden Key Honor Society Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society
2020	Walden University Minneapolis, Minnesota Ph.D in Nursing Education Post-Masters Certificate in Online Teaching Member, National Society of Leadership and Success

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WORK EXPERIENCE

August 2020-Present Assistant Faculty VCU School of Nursing

Taught clinical sessions with NURS 325 and 425 Clinical Classes. Used all clinical tools including Blackboard, Typhon, and Zoom.

March 2013 – Present VCUHS Rapid Response Team

Member of the Rapid Response Team. Dispatched for critically ill patients as well as assisting nursing and medical staff with appropriate interventions, early warning system (EWS) interventions and critical

skilled assistance with all of the VCUHS adult population. Developed EWS Database system, the VCUHS RESCUE Alert System, which has been deployed throughout the hospital, as well as additional IT initiatives.

May 2008 – March 2013 Clinical Coordinator, Interventional Radiology

Completed the duties of the Clinical Coordinator role in VCUHS Interventional Radiology. Coordinated staffing, charge nurse duties, scheduling, and was the "head" RN for IR. Was the resource nurse for staff at all levels. Developed and implemented the Radiology Recovery Unit, modeling it after The CVPCU area. Coordinated daily with medical and nursing staff, as well as physician assistants and nurse practitioners. Used Cerner and Patient Safety Net as well as other software such as iView, RadNet and Blackboard for instructional classes. Developed organizational websites and am currently involved in the hospital informatics transitional group.

Received a VCUHS Safety Star award for safety events identified and problematic situations rectified.

May 2003- May 2008 Care Coordinator, Leader, Cardiovascular Procedure Care Unit.

Developed, organized, and implemented this new VCU Heart Center outpatient procedure recovery area. Opened this new unit as well as supervised the staff under the direction of the Cardiology Director and the Nurse Manager. Coordinated with all hospital services, wrote all policies and procedures for the daily functioning of the unit, and helped successful pass many inspections throughout the years. Scored top in satisfaction surveys for both staff and patients. Integrated performance improvement initiatives successfully both intra-unit and hospital wide. Sat on the Heart Center's Performance Practice Council and was a Magnet Champion and committee member. Was the lead nurse for the unit. Coordinated with Interventional Radiology, Cardiology, and Electrophysiology in managing their patients daily. Produced websites and competencies using Microsoft Office, PowerPoint and other teaching software. Embedded teaching videos and distributed them hospital wide.

June 2000 - May 2003

Virginia Commonwealth University, VCU Health Systems, Department of Radiology, Section of Vascular / Neuro Interventional Radiology

Nurse Manager / Coordinator

Managed all aspects of the Section of Vascular / Neuro Interventional Radiology (VIR).

February 1998 – June 2000 Virginia Commonwealth University, VCU Health Care Systems, Medical / Surgical Emergency Department

Registered Nurse

Level 1 Trauma Center, Unit Educator, Triage, RN Orientation Coordinator, RN Preceptor, MCV School of Nursing Preceptor, Patient Care Technician Supervisor and Evaluator, and direct patient care provider to adult populations and pediatric trauma patients. Included was the care of cardiac patients (Levels 1 – 4) and instituting thrombolytic therapy as well as other corrective therapies to Level 1-2 patients.

June 1994 – Medical College of Virginia, MCV Hospitals

February 1998 Medical - Respiratory ICU

Registered Nurse

Staff Nurse in an extremely progressive ICU setting. Practiced using the Primary Nursing Model to a diverse population of patients in the unit. Developed Patient Care Standards in asthma, diabetic keto-acidosis, and ventilator support that was later instituted hospital-wide. Worked to provide excellent patient care by participating in morning medical rounds, during family meetings on patient outcomes, and with ancillary departments. Included were complex IV cardiovasive drip therapies, Swan-Ganz monitoring, and new ventilator management therapies.

Specialty Certifications

Certification in Emergency Nursing (CEN)
Post-Masters Certificate in Online Teaching
Advanced Cardiac Life Support
Basic Cardiac Life Support
Basic Trauma Life Support
Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum
Six Sigma Courses

Professional Activities

Poster Presenter, Society of Critical Care Medicine Professional Practice Council, Contributor

Magnet Presenter- 2020

VCUHS Documentation Council, Member VCUHS Verbal Orders Committee, Member

Healthcare Information and Management Systems

Society (HIMSS) Member Golden Key Honor Society Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society

Member, National Society of Leadership and Success

Member, Walden Fulbright Chapter

Research Activities

September 2015 Rapid Response research on factors contributing to

escalation of patients to the ICU. Dissertation for PhD

June 1997 ET Tube Narrowing Study, Participant. Collected

endotracheal tubes after extubation and analyzed them for narrowing during extended patient stays in

the MRICU.

February 1997 Naso-enteric Placement Study, Developer and

Implementer. Surveyed initial patient stay in the

MRICU and their lack of proper nutrition

administration from delayed placement of appropriate

feeding equipment (naso-enteric tubes).

March 1997 – MRICU Heliox Study, Contributor. Assisted in the collection of laboratory data in a study to evaluate the

use nitric oxide on intubated patients at risk of developing ARDS. This was an ongoing study in the MRICU and required continual data and strict lab

collection on identified patients.

Specialized Abilities

RedCap database for Rapid Response Team data collection.

Use all Microsoft Office software (Access, Excel, Word, and PowerPoint). Can use Zoom, Typhon, and Blackboard. Can create databases and spreadsheets.

Cerner software including inpatient and outpatient modes. Can work in iView and with various modules.

Can work extensively with FrontPage, Joomla and other webpage producing software.

Uses Blackboard for development of unit-based competencies and information. Acted as site administrator for cardiology and radiology staff.

Worked extensively with the Patient Safety Net (PSN) network. Worked with the hospital's Risk Management Department on various issues regarding patient safety matters as well as coached staff and administration on the use of this network.

References

Available on request