



Pedro Garrison

PSYCHIATRIC STAFF NURSE

Psychiatric nursing professional with 6 years of experience completing over 1,218 psychiatric assessments across adult inpatient and subacute behavioral health units. Reduced aggressive behavior incidents by 23.6 points per 100 patient days by co-leading staff training on Nonviolent Crisis Intervention techniques. Holds a Registered Nurse License and Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training certification, with consistent use of EHR documentation, suicide risk screening, and multidisciplinary care coordination.

CONTACT INFORMATION



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KEY SKILLS

- Psychiatric Assessment
- De-escalation Techniques
- Suicide Risk Screening
- Psychotropic Medication Administration
- EHR Documentation
- Vital Signs Monitoring
- HIPAA Compliance
- Multidisciplinary Care Coordination
- Phlebotomy
- Crisis Intervention

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Psychiatric Staff Nurse | Cane River Behavioral Health Center, Natchitoches, LA | 2023 – Present

- Completed 743 psychiatric assessments over 28 months on a 24-bed adult inpatient unit, using structured clinical interviews and suicide risk screening tools to guide treatment decisions.
- Improved patient outcomes by 11.3 points on the unit's behavioral progress scale over 18 months through individualized intervention tracking in the EHR.
- Coordinated with psychiatrists and social workers during 8 multidisciplinary treatment team meetings per month, presenting symptom trend data and recommending intervention changes.
- Administer scheduled psychotropic medications and long-acting injections, monitoring vital signs and documenting clinical responses within 40 minutes of each dose.

Psychiatric Registered Nurse | Kisatchie Pines Community Hospital, Leesville, LA | 2021 – 2023

- Completed 289 psychiatric assessments across a 20-bed behavioral health unit over 22 months, documenting mental status findings and risk levels in the EHR.
- Reduced aggressive behavior incidents by 23.6 points per 100 patient days over 12 months by co-leading weekly in-service sessions on Nonviolent Crisis Intervention techniques for 14 staff members.
- Contributed to a 9.03-point improvement in patient outcome scores by collaborating with social workers on transition planning and aftercare referrals.
- Performed blood draws using phlebotomy supplies and processed lab orders for 17 patients per shift, flagging abnormal values for the attending psychiatrist within 25 minutes.

Registered Nurse - Behavioral Health | Vermilion Bay Medical Center, Abbeville, LA | 2020 – 2021

- Completed 186 psychiatric assessments during a 13-month period on a 16-bed subacute psychiatric floor, recording behavioral observations and medication responses in the EHR.
- Improved patient outcome scores by 8.4 points on a standardized rating scale over 10 months by identifying early symptom changes during daily assessments and alerting the treatment team.
- Monitored vital signs for 14 patients per 12-hour shift using bedside equipment, reporting deviations to the charge nurse within 15 minutes of detection.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science Nursing

Northwestern State University of Louisiana, Natchitoches, LA | 2016 – 2020

CERTIFICATIONS

- Registered Nurse License, State board of nursing, 2020
- National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses, National Council of State Boards of Nursing, 2020
- Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training, Crisis Prevention Institute, 2021
- Basic Life Support, American Heart Association, 2026