

DAWN GOZDICK, DNP, CRNP, FNP-C

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Doctor of Nursing Practice—prepared Family Nurse Practitioner, registered nurse, nurse educator, and healthcare clinical consultant with extensive experience across critical care, emergency care, acute and chronic disease management, skilled nursing/long-term care, nursing education, and senior living. Experienced in clinical leadership, regulatory compliance, quality improvement, wound care, infection prevention, care transitions, interdisciplinary coordination, and expert review of nursing standards of care.

EXPERT WITNESS & CLINICAL CONSULTING

Lewis Litigation Support & Clinical Consulting, LLC | Consultant / Expert Witness | October 1, 2026 – Present

Available to consult and testify regarding nursing standards of care in skilled nursing, assisted living, memory care, and PACE settings.

Long-term care regulatory compliance, including federal CMS requirements and Pennsylvania state requirements.

Wound care management and documentation standards; infection control and patient safety protocols.

Medication administration practices and nursing policy compliance.

Re-hospitalization prevention and care transition protocols.

Staffing, supervision, and workforce management in healthcare facilities.

Executive and administrative oversight in senior living communities.

Care plan development, evaluation, and implementation.

Quality assurance and continuous quality improvement programs.

End-of-life care and hospice standards.

Prepare and present in-service and continuing education for Nursing Home Administrators, Registered Nurses, and other long-term care staff.

Conduct mock surveys of long-term care facilities, personal care homes, and assisted living facilities to evaluate compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements; evaluate clinical records against current nursing standards; provide verbal and written compliance reports; and identify systems and performance-improvement opportunities.

Review legal complaints, third-party records, and depositions; research applicable standards of care; formulate and articulate opinions for retaining counsel; and prepare written opinions based on accepted standards of nursing care.

Provide expert testimony at deposition or trial and participate in continuing education to maintain current nursing and administrator licensure

CLINICAL & ADVANCED PRACTICE EXPERIENCE

Align Medpartners / Genesis Provider Services / ProMedica Care Partners / Manor Care | **Family Nurse Practitioner | June 2018 – Present**

Management of acute and chronic diseases and illnesses in skilled nursing and long-term care populations.
Baseline status, diagnostics, and initial stabilization. Summary of care, recovery plan, and transition instructions
Management of IV therapies, antibiotics, diagnostic testing, and interpretation/follow-up of diagnostic results.
Performance of bedside procedures and coordination of medical care.
Function as hospitalist/primary care provider for medically complex patients.
Medical management of COVID-19 units, including telemedicine visits and ongoing clinical management.
Management of SNF/LTC patients across acute, chronic, and transitional care needs.

Allegheny Health Network / Emerus Hospital | Registered Staff Nurse – ICU / Emergency Department | January 2005 – Present

Medical-Surgical Intensive Care Unit, Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit, and Emergency Department practice.
Direct care of neurologic, trauma, cardiac, surgical, and medical critical-care patients.
Experience with EVDs, ICP monitoring, Camino bolts, Swan-Ganz catheters, IABPs, transvenous pacemakers, CRRT, 24-hour EEG with burst suppression, hemodynamic monitoring, and medication titration.
Management of invasive tubes and lines; assistance with bedside procedures; and coordination of care with multidisciplinary teams.
Communication and clinical coordination with critical care, trauma, neurology, emergency, and hospitalist teams.
Epic electronic health record documentation.

Cross Country Staffing Agency | ICU / PCU / ER Registered Nurse | November 2020 – 2022 Clinical assignments in ICU, PCU, and Emergency Department settings; Epic and Cerner documentation.

Krucial Staffing Agency | ICU / Step-Down / Vaccination Clinic Registered Nurse | October 2019 – 2020

Clinical assignments across ICU, step-down, and vaccination clinic settings.

NURSING EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Carlow University | Adjunct Instructor | August 2008 – August 2018 | Pittsburgh, PA

Clinical and laboratory instruction for sophomore, junior, and senior nursing students.
Clinical sites included UPMC Magee, UPMC Mercy, UPMC Shadyside, UPMC Montefiore, and UPMC Presbyterian Hospitals.
Senior student clinical instruction in the Neuro ICU (4/5F) at UPMC Presbyterian.
Faculty advisor for senior practicum students; Cerner documentation.

Community College of Allegheny County | Adjunct Instructor | January 2008 – January 2019 **| Multiple Pennsylvania campuses**

Didactic, clinical, laboratory, and assessment instruction covering foundational nursing, individual body systems, disease processes, pediatrics, geriatrics, and critical care.
Clinical instruction conducted at UPMC and Allegheny Health Network sites.
Epic and Cerner documentation.

University of Pittsburgh | Assistant Professor of Nursing | August 2008 – December 2013 | Pittsburgh, PA

Full-time clinical and didactic instruction for sophomore, junior, senior, and second-degree nursing students.

Faculty advisor for senior practicum students.

Clinical instruction at UPMC Shadyside, 4 Main Surgical-Oncology.

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts Boston — Post-Master's Family Nurse Practitioner Program, 2016

Carlow University — Doctor of Nursing Practice; Graduate Nursing Coursework, 2011

Indiana University of Pennsylvania — Master of Science in Nursing Education, 2007

University of Pittsburgh — Bachelor of Science in Nursing, 2001

Westmoreland County Community College — Associate Degree in Nursing; Licensed Practical Nurse Diploma, 1999, 2000

LICENSURE & CREDENTIALS

Registered Nurse — Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner — Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP-C)

Current DEA License

Current NPI Number

Credentialed with major insurance companies

CERTIFICATIONS

Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)

American Association of Nurse Practitioners — Family Nurse Practitioner

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS)

National Institutes of Health Stroke Certification

Basic Life Support (BLS)

Trauma Certification

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention

Mentorship Certificate

Continuous Renal Replacement Therapy (CRRT)

Critical Care Certification

Basic Arrhythmia

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Association of Nurse Practitioners

American Association of Critical-Care Nurses

CLEARANCES

Pennsylvania State Police Criminal History (PATCH)
FBI Fingerprint Criminal History
Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance

PUBLIC SERVICE

Medical mission trips — Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Pittsburgh

REFERENCES

Professional and personal references available upon request.