

Sharon Baker RN MS ACNS-BC CNRN NE-BC

Education

1995 Master of Science Degree in Nursing
University of Colorado Health Science Center
Denver, CO 80262

1993 Baccalaureate of Science In Nursing
University of Colorado Health Science Center
Denver, CO 80262

1991 Prerequisite course for Nursing
Arapahoe Community College
Littleton, CO

1978 Associate of Science in Nursing
Lincoln Land Community College
Springfield, CO

Employment
experience

1/24/2011-current National Jewish Hospital
1400 Jackson Street
Denver, CO 80206
CNO: Jeff Downing
Phone Number: 303-398-1766
Position: Nurse Manager

9/04-12/3/10 University of Colorado Hospital
12605 E. 16th Ave.
Aurora, Co 80045
Director: Deb Devine
Phone Number: 720-848-6800 (Human Resources)
Position: Nurse Manager

5/95-9/04 University of Colorado Health Science Center
4200 E. Ninth Ave.
Denver, CO
Director: Mary Krugman
Position: Clinical Nurse Specialist/Clinical Nurse Educator

2/88-5/95 University of Colorado Health Science Center
4200 E. Ninth Ave.

Denver, CO
Position: Neuroscience/Ortho Staff and Charge Nurse on Unit

8/81-1988 Float RN for Medical /Surgical units
University of Colorado

2/81-8/81 Lutheran Memorial Hospital
Wheatridge, CO
Position: Oncology Staff Nurse and Relief Charge Nurse

6/78-1/81 Memorial Medical Center
Springfield, IL
Position: Oncology Staff Nurse and Relief Charge Nurse

Publications

Yucha, C.B., Russ, P., & Baker, S. (1997). Detecting IV infiltrations using a venoscope. Journal of Intravenous Nursing, 20(1), pg50-55.

Baker, S & Flynn, M.B. (1999). New hope for emphysema patient: Lung reduction Surgery. Heart and Lung, 28(6), 455-458.

Munschauer, F.E., Hens, M.M., Priore, R.L. Stolarshi, E., Buffamonte, S., Carlin, A., Wechsler, L., Massaro, L., Barch, C., Hughes, R., Anderson, A., Sung, G., Baker, S., & Limon, S. (1999). Screening for atrial fibrillation in the community: A multicenter validation trail. Journal of Stroke and Cerebrovascular Diseases, 8(2), 99-103.

Baker, S (2002). Stroke. Nurseweek. December 2002, 2005.

Book reviewer for NACNS. Publication of review in NACNS magazine.

Chapter reviewer for AANN on Neuroscience anatomy and physiology. October, 2010.

Professional Experience

6/1/2011 Nurse Manager for Infusion Unit, Chemo Infusion Unit, and Infectious Disease unit and clinic at National Jewish Health.

1/20/11 Staff and Patient Education at National Jewish Hospital on various medical/surgical topics.

2007 Became Manager for 18bed Surgery unit. 2004-2010 Pulmonary Nurse Manager/Neuroscience CNS.

- ❖ Provide mentoring and support for 92 staff members
- ❖ Provide clinical expertise in Pulmonary, Neuroscience, Surgery, and Medicine
- ❖ Issue disciplinary action as needed
- ❖ Assist with daily staffing needs and budget

- ❖ Staff unit when needed
- ❖ Provide leadership and vision for the unit.
- ❖ Provide education on neuroscience, respiratory, and medicine as needed
- ❖ Provide education on budget and financial impacts
- ❖ Prepare and initiate a yearly budget for both units

1996-2004. Neuroscience Clinical Nurse Specialist and Clinical Nurse Educator for Pulmonary unit. 2004-current: Neuroscience CNS/Clinical Nurse Educator:

- ❖ Provide clinical orientation for new employees.
- ❖ Provide clinical expertise in areas assigned.
- ❖ Ensure yearly and as needed competency testing and skill labs.
- ❖ Mentor staff to achieve goals and advance in clinical ladder.
- ❖ Mentor staff in research and quality improvement.
- ❖ Provide a nurse run stroke screening to the community each year.
- ❖ Informal/formal education given on various topics in Neuroscience Pulmonary, Cardiac, and Medicine. Spoke at local and national conferences.

2002-2004 Coordinator role for 6east Pulmonary/Medicine

- ❖ Provide leadership and managerial support for 6east staff members
- ❖ Completed PSC monthly schedule
- ❖ Assisted in ordering materials as needed
- ❖ Assisted in day to day operations of unit
- ❖ Provided daily patient rounds. Improved 2003 press ganey scores through daily rounds and handling patient complaints.

2001-Current Expert Witness for Cases in multi states.

2008 Board of Trustee Treasury for American Association of Neuroscience. Last reviewer for the AANN Neuroscience nurse certification examination for past year.

1999-2002 Executive Council Members for AHA Colorado Division for Stroke Connection. Provide clinical expertise for the American Heart Association. An active member on the community education program to develop and implement educational plans to increase awareness of stroke signs, symptoms, and treatment modalities in Colorado.

2000-2007 Write test questions for the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses for their certification examination. Second reviewer for test examination for that fall/spring test.

2002 Reviewer for the core curriculum for the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses. Completed the review on neuroanatomy and neurophysiology for 2004 AANN Core curriculum.

2001-current Review articles on Neuroscience and Respiratory for Nurseweek magazine and AACCN.

2003-2004 Wrote web based neurological anatomy and physiology and neurological assessment for the Professional CE corporation.

2004 Assisted in development of an Evidence Based IV Peripheral therapy educational offering.

1995-1998 Clinical Nurse Educator for Pulmonary, Medicine, Cardiology and Acute Dialysis unit at University of Colorado

- Provide clinical orientation for new employees on each unit as well as centralized education on a bimonthly basis for new employees
- Provide clinical expertise in areas assigned
- Provide managerial and leadership in areas assigned
- Provide clinical education in areas assigned on clinical, professional, and product changes.

1996-current Clinical Nurse Specialist for Stroke Population at University of Colorado

- Provide clinical expertise and patient education for Neuroscience patients specifically the Stroke Population.
- Development of clinical pathways, NIC, standard orders, and stroke screening tool.

1995-1996 Assisted in opening new Pulmonary unit at University of Colorado

1988-1995 Staff and Charge RN for Neuroscience/Orthopedic Unit

- Clinical Teacher Associate for Nursing students
- Charge role included evaluation of staff, problem solving managerial issues on unit, quality improvement representative, preceptor for new employees, clinical resource for unit, and provided direct patient care.
- Development of patient education teaching material on Guillain-Barre, hypertension, stroke, and Alzheimer's disease.

1981-1998 Medical/Surgical Staff Float at University of Colorado

4/91-12/91 Served as a member of the Colorado Task Force for the Differentiated Practice Model implemented in Colorado

2/1981-8/1981 Oncology Staff RN providing direct patient care

1978-1981 Oncology Staff RN providing direct patient care.

Professional memberships

2009 Board Member for the American Board of Neuroscience Nurses

2008 Secretary/Treasury for the American Board of Neuroscience Nurses

American Nurses Association and Colorado Nurses Association-on nominating committee for Colorado Nurses Association 2006-2007

2007-2010 Board Member for ABNN-three year commitment

National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists-active member

American Association of Neuroscience Nurses-active member

National Stroke Association

Sigma Theta Tau

COVAN

January 1st, 2004-December 31st, 2004- Active member of the Colorado Stroke Task Force. Meet quarterly to strategies public stroke prevention and education.

American Association of Nurse Executives

Rocky Mountain Association for Neuroscience Nurses

- ◆ 2012 Committee Member/Education Committee for Rocky Mountain AANN
- 2011 President for Rocky Mountain AANN
- 2009-2010 President Elect for local chapter
- 2005-2009 Active Member of AANN
- 2004-2005 Local Chapter President
- 2002-2003 Local Chapter President-Elect
- 2001-2002 Local Chapter President
- 2000-2001 Local Chapter President-Elect
- 1999-2000 Local Chapter President
- 1996-1998 Local Chapter Secretary
- 1998 Local Chapter President
- 1999 Local Chapter President-elect

Medical/Surgical Nursing Organization

American Organization of Nurse Executives

Colorado Nurse Leaders

Awards/
Certifications
Received

2008 President's Award at the University of Colorado

2007 Nightingale Nomination

2006 Certified as an Advanced Practiced RN (recertified in 2016)

2006 Certified as a Nurse Administrator (Recertified in 2016)

2009 CPR Instructor Certification

2000 Community Service Award

1998 Team Excellence Award

1998 ACLS certification

1997 Nightingale Nomination

1996-1998 AHA CPR Instructor Trainer

1995 University Hospital Nursing Excellence Award

1995 University Hospital and Denver Metro Area Hospital Hero Award

1995 Induction into International Sigma Theta Tau

1995 Certified Neuroscience Nurse (recertified every 5 years. Last one 1/1/16)

1993 Cum Laude

1976 National Honor Society

Teaching
Experience

2011-2012 Pulmonary Hypertension at the Allied Health Conference at National Jewish Health.

2006 Neurological Anatomy and Physiology at the University of Colorado Hospital

2004- The Pharmacological Management for Pulmonary Hypertension. University of Colorado Hospital, Denver, CO.

2003-current-Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. New graduate medical surgical series. University of Colorado Hospital, Denver, CO.

2001-2003-rural outreach programs for nurses on Neurological Anatomy and

Physiology, Neurological Disorders and Cerebrovascular Insults.

1996-current. Community Education on Stroke and Heart Disease at local Grade schools, churches, and nursing organizations.

1999-Diabetes Symposium, University of Colorado, Denver, CO. "Patient education tools to assist with the diabetic patient."

1999-2002 ECG "Basic Review and Interpretation" UCH.

2002 Fluid and Electrolyte Balance for the Neurological Patient. Neurotrauma Symposium. St. Anthony's Hospital.

1998-2003 "Neuroscience Anatomy and Physiology, Cerebral Vascular Accidents, and Seizures." Critical Care Course. Oncology Core Curriculum and Advance Concepts in Medical/Surgical Nursing. University of Colorado

1999 "Deep Vein Thrombosis and Pulmonary Embolism. What patients are at risk?" University of Colorado.

1996-2004 Stroke screening for Community. Developed and implemented program for stroke screening free to Community each year in May. Provide physical assessment and health promotion.

1996- 2004 Developed stroke screening tools for educational and risks factor assessment.

1998 "Research Presentation of IV Extravasation Study with use of the Venoscope." Eighth Annual Research Symposium at University of Colorado.

1998-1999 CPR Instructor for Health Care Professionals at University of Colorado and Community Services

1996-1999 CPR Instructor Trainer for University of Colorado

1997 "Thyroid Disease". Medical/Surgical Review Course. University of Colorado

1997 "Stroke". Rocky Mountain Stroke Association. Denver, CO

1997 Poster presentation on IV Extravasation Study with use of the Venoscope. University of Colorado Seventh Annual Research Symposium

1996 "Neuroassessment Course". University of Colorado.

1995 "Biofeedback". Neuroscience Conference in the Rockies, Vail, CO

1995-1997 "Documentation Issues". Biannual presentation for the undergraduates at the University of Colorado Health Science Center School of Nursing.

1994 "Case Presentation on Spinal Cord Injury and Pregnancy" at the Neuroscience Conference in the Rockies, Vail, CO.

Research

2007 Using every one hour patient rounds to decrease falls and increase patient satisfaction.

2007 Evidenced-based standards of care for surgical patients

2004 Development of an evidence based vascular access protocol

2003 Evidence-based standards of care for pulmonary hypertension, asthma, cystic fibrosis, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

2003 "Evidence-based practice on the placement of small bore tube feeds." Co-investigator.

2001 "Providing asthma education for the indigent patient to decrease readmission rates for asthma exacerbation."

1998-2002 Member of the Nursing Research Committee at University Hospital.

1998 Co-chair for the Nursing Research Committee at UCH

1999-current "Investigating the high incidence of aspiration pneumonia among small bore tubes." Primary investigator. University of Colorado

"Teaching the community to recognize an irregular pulse. The first step in recognizing atrial fibrillation." A Nursing research implemented at the University of Buffalo. Primary investigator for University of Colorado in the summer of 1998. The study was repeated in May 1999

1998-1999 "Why do individuals wait to come to the hospital after suffering a stroke?" A Nursing research implemented at the University of Minnesota. Primary investigator for University of Colorado.

1994-1995 "Detecting IV infiltration with the use of the Venoscope". Co-investigator. University of Colorado Health Science Center School of Nursing.

