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Nursing licensure - IN #28095975, KY #3001762

Nurse Practitioner Licensure – IN, KY

Prescriptive authority/DEA (1/03 to present)

Education

8/10-5/2013 University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, IN
DNP
Project: Defining barriers to pain management in adolescents undergoing chemotherapy

9/89-6/91 UCLA Graduate School of Nursing, Los Angeles, CA
Master of Nursing
Family Nurse Practitioner

9/82-5/86 Indiana Wesleyan University
Bachelor of Science, Nursing

Employment

10/2024 to present Interim Associate Dean of DNP Program, Indiana Wesleyan University, Division of Nursing

6/2019-present Associate Dean of NP Programs, Indiana Wesleyan University, School of Nursing

1/2016-6/2019 Assistant Dean of NP Programs, Indiana Wesleyan University, School of Nursing

9/2009-12/2015 Indiana Wesleyan University – Assistant Professor for Graduate Nursing, Coordinator of FNP Track

5/2019-present Family Nurse Practitioner – Hope Healthcare, Avon, IN

6/2013-1/2019 Family Nurse Practitioner – Staff and Faculty Clinic, IU Health

5/07-6/2014 Minute Clinics of Indiana – Nurse Practitioner

9/04-2009 Indiana Wesleyan University – Affiliate faculty for Graduate Nursing, Teaching physical assessment, pathophysiology, pediatric, adult and women’s health clinical courses

7/94-11/2009 Adjunct faculty for RNBS/RN-BO completion on-line program
Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis, IN
Nurse Practitioner, Bone Marrow Transplant Inpatient Unit
Nurse Practitioner, Apheresis
Nursing education /CNS role

1/95-9/04 Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN
Adjunct faculty with Adult Professional Studies, RN-BSN Completion program

12/98-8/02 Lifetime Wellness Solutions
Nurse Practitioner, intake physicals and nutritional counseling, part-time, women’s health

9/92-5/94 Indiana University Southeast, New Albany, IN
Clinical Instructor, Maternal/Child Health;
Instructor, Physical Assessment

11/91-7/94 Kosair Children's Hospital, Louisville, KY
Nurse Practitioner, Bone Marrow Transplant
Nurse Practitioner, Apheresis (1/93-7/94) Nursing education

6/91-8/91	NE Valley Health Corporation, Pacoima, CA Family Nurse Practitioner, Family Planning
7/88-9/91	Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA Charge Nurse, Pediatric Intensive Care Unit Clinical Level III (resp. for staff scheduling, precepting, inservicing)
1/88-6/88	Veterans Administration Medical Center, Marion, IN Staff Nurse, Intensive Care Unit Relief charge nurse
1/86-12/87	Marion General Hospital, Marion, IN Evening Charge Nurse, Intensive Care Unit Staff Nurse, Intensive Care Unit

Certifications

Family Nurse Practitioner Certification – ANCC through 2027

Professional Memberships

- Coalition of Advance Practice Nurses in IN (CAPNI)
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)
- Sigma Theta Tau, National Honor Society for Nursing (STT)
- National Organizations of Nurse Practitioner Faculty (NONPF)
- Nurses Christian Fellowship (NCF)

Board Memberships

Carey Services, Marion, IN – Human Rights Board – 2018-present
 CAPNI – Region 7 Representative to the Board – 2017-2021
 CAPNI – Faculty Representative to the Board – 2023-present
 Eastern Safety Coalition – 2018 to present
 AHA Executive Board member – 2020-2022

Committee Memberships

Chair CAPS Admissions Committee – August 2025-present
 Indiana Center for Nursing – Advocacy Committee 2022-present
 Indiana Center for Nursing – Practice Partnerships Committee 2022-present
 CAPNI Ad Hoc Committee Chair for Onboarding of new members 2022-2025
 IWU Assessment Council 2022-2024
 IWU Pharmacology Update Planning Committee – 2020
 CAPNI Annual Conference committee – 2017, 2018
 Abstract Reviewer – IWU Innovations in Faith-Based Nursing conference, 2016, 2018
 NP Skills Conference Committee – 2015-2016, 2018, 2022
 Hinds Selection Committee - 2015
 Indiana Wesleyan University Senate member 2011-2012, 2015-2017, 2024 to present
 School of Nursing Academic Affairs Council – 2014-2018
 Development of first Procedures Conference at IWU – 2014, 2024
 School of Nursing Student Life Council – 2010-2012; 2014-2015 (Chair)
 School of Nursing Faculty Life Council – 2011-2012 (Chair)
 SON Faculty Retreat Committee 2012
 ANCC Content expert panel for development of the national Pain Management
 Certification examination: 1/04 – 2009 (5 year commitment) Vice-Chairman of this
 committee
 Committee Chair for a 2 year term (2009-2012)

Ethics Pediatric Consultation Team – 10/08-12/2009
Pediatric Pain Committee – 5/06 – 12/2009
Chemotherapy Practice committee 10/03 – 12/2009
Curriculum Advisory Committee - Indiana Wesleyan University (2001-present)
Scientific Review Committee (9/98-2001)
Advanced Practice (NP's) Group (6/97-present)
Patient Education Committee (9/96-9/02)
Riley Cancer Center Design Team (8/94-8/95)
Advanced Practice Group (5/92-present)
Nursing Oncology/ Renal Team (3/93-7/94)
Joint Practice Committee CHLA (4/90-6/91)
Council on Primary Nursing, CHLA (5/89-8/91)
Committee on Care Plan Documentation CHLA (3/89-8/91)

Community Involvements

Small Group Facilitator (2016-present)
Praise Team member, choir member (1995 to present)
Local board of administration - church secretary (7/04 to 5/07)
Lecturer for various topics on women's ministry and the Church (1999 to present)
Small ensemble (traveled on weekends to sing; 1999 to 2004)
Volunteer staff for church youth group (1995-1999)
"Gospel meets Symphony" Choir member (1998 - 2000)
Missions Youth trip to Jamaica (July 1997, July 1998)
Teens-N-Talent district director for Wesleyan Church (1997-2005)
Volunteer for Children's Miracle Network telethon (1989-1990, 2003)

Offices Held

Chair CAPS Admissions Committee – 2025-present
Chair IWU Assessment Council – 2022-2023
Chair SON Student Life Committee – 2014-2015
Chair SON Faculty Life Committee – 2011-2012
Chair of SON Faculty Retreat Committee - 2012
Chairman of Content Expert Panel (CEP) for Pain Management – ANCC (6/09-6/12)
Vice Chairman CEP for Pain Management – ANCC (1/04 – 6/09)
Secretary – Local church board of administration (7/04-5/07)
Activities director - Alumni board at IWU (10/97-10/98)
Activities director-elect - Alumni board at IWU (10/96-10/97)
Secretary - Local chapter of APON (9/93-7/94)

Publications

Book Chapter

Casler, K.S. & Gawlik, K.S. (2022). *Laboratory screening and diagnostic evaluation: An evidenced based approach*. Springer.

Book Content Reviewer –

Barkley, T. W. & Myers, C. M. (2014 and 2019). *Practice considerations for adult-gerontology acute care nurse practitioners*, Barkley and Associates

Article –

Subbarao, G., Haut, P.R., Johnson, C.S., **Gowan, D.**, Molleston, J.P. (2006). Incidence, etiology, and risk factors for liver dysfunction in children following hematopoietic stem cell transplantation. *Pediatric Transplantation*, 10, 682-689.

Article –

Goebel, W.S., Nelson R.P., **Gowan, D.J.**, Towell, P.J., Robertson, K.A., and Haut, P.R.(2006). Serial transplantation resulting in tolerance to an unrelated cord blood graft. *Transplantation*; 81: 1596-99.

Abstract –

Rao, G.S., Molleston, J., **Gowan, D.**, and Haut, P.R. (2004) *Risk factors for development of liver dysfunction in pediatric hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients*, Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Abstract –

Goebel, W.S., Nelson, R.P., **Gowan, D.J.**, Towell P.J., Robertson, K.R. and Haut, P.R. (2003) Serial transplantation resulting in tolerance to an unrelated cord blood stem graft. Indiana University, Department of Hematology/Oncology, Indianapolis; 45th ASH Annual meeting Above Abstract also accepted as a poster presentation at the December 2003 ASH meeting.

Article –

Gowan, D. (2003). End-of-life issues in children, *Pediatric Transplantation*, 7(3), 40-43.

Article –

Thomson, B.G., Robertson, K.A., **Gowan, D.**, Hellman, D., Broxmeyer, H.E., Emanuel, D., Kotylo, P., Brahmi, Z., and Smith, F.O. (2000). Analysis of engraftment, graft-versus-host disease, and immune recovery following unrelated donor cord blood transplantation. *Blood*, 96(8), 2703-2711.

Article –

WG Kronenberger, BD Carter, J Stewart, C Morrow, K Martin, **D Gowan**, L Sender. (1996). Psychological adjustment of children in the pre-transplant phase of bone marrow transplantation: Relationships with parent distress, parent stress, and child coping. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*, 3(4), 319-335.

Abstract –

Thomson, B. G., Robertson, K. A., **Gowan, D.**, Heilman, D.K., Broxmeyer, H. E., Emanuel, D., Brahmi, Z., Smith, F. O. (1999). "Immune reconstitution in pediatric recipients of unrelated donor cord blood grafts," Indiana University, Department of Hematology/Oncology, Indianapolis.

Case report –

Smith, F. O., Johnson, M. S., Scherer, L. R., Faught, P., Breitfeld, P. P., Albright, E., Hillier, S. C., **Gowan, D.**, Smith, P. D., Robertson, K. A. & Emanuel, D. (1996). Transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunting (TIPS) for treatment of severe hepatic veno-occlusive disease. *Bone Marrow Transplantation*, 18, 643-646.

Book Chapter –

"Alterations in Skin Integrity" *Pediatric Nursing: Caring For Children*. by Ball & Bindler, Appleton & Lange, 1994.

Book review –

Your child's recovery: A parent's guide for the child with a life-threatening illness.
Oncology Nursing Forum.

Abstract –

Rosenthal, J., Sender, L., Montes, V., Weinthal, J., Suarez, M., Loranger, N., Secola, R., Killen, R., **Gowan, D.**, Florence, K., Meiman, S., & Cairo, M. S. "Safety and Efficacy of Heparin Prophylaxis and Tissue Plasminogen Activator (TPA) Treatment for Venous Occlusive Disease (VOD) of the Liver in Children Following Bone Marrow Transplantation (BMT)" Children's Hospital of Orange County, Orange, CA and Kosair Children's Hospital, Louisville, Ky.

Lectures/posters

- 11/2019 Poster presentation: Spiritual Health in Nursing Education, Indianapolis, IN
- 6/2016 Physical Assessment with Virtual Reality Patients, Innovations Conference, Indiana Wesleyan University
- 10/2015 NLN Summit, Physical Assessment Using a Virtual Program, Concurrent Session, Las Vegas, NV
- 10/2015 NLN/Elsevier Technology Conference, Poster presentation, Health Assessment Using a Virtual Program, Tampa Florida
- 10/2014 Challenges of APN Preceptorship from All Angles (Student, Preceptor and Faculty): Working Together for Success – a panel discussion at Fall CAPNI meeting
- 4/2013 Podium presentation: Identifying Barriers to Pain Management in Adolescents
- 4/2012 Poster Presentation: Identifying Barriers to Pain Management in Adolescents
- 11/07 SCT patients and concerns for OR nurses and staff
- 1994-2009 Taking care of Stem Cell Transplant patients in the ICU setting
- 7/03 Teleconference-on panel discussing end-of-life care of children (panel member)
- 8/02 ANCC – Palliative care certification exam “tester”
- 11/01 “End-of-life Issues in Children” @ Current Trends in Pediatric BMT Conference, St. Augustine, FL
- 12/01 “Supportive Care in Pediatrics” @ Contemporary Pediatrics Conference, Indianapolis, IN
- 10/00 Lecture “The immune system” and “Understanding Leukemia and Lymphomas” IUPUI school of nursing
- 11/98, 2/99 Lecture “Effect of Acute Care Nurse Practitioner in the inpatient setting” IUPUI Division of Nursing
- 6/98 (yearly updates) Author of “Critical Care Nursing” module of IWU RN-BS Completion program
- Summer 98 Lecture “Role of Acute Care Nurse Practitioner” IUPUI Division of Nursing
Internet class - above lecture part of on-line class offered each semester at IUPUI
- 4/98 Address to graduating NP students at Indiana Wesleyan University “Acute Care Nurse Practitioners: How do we develop the role?”
- 10/97 Lecture on Immunology and Transplantation, Senior nursing students,

Indiana University, Indianapolis, IN

5/97 Educational exhibit - ONS national conference, "Stem cell transplant Family educational booklet"

4/96 Keynote Address "Going First: Developing the roles" (Role of NP in the 90's) Sigma Theta Tau Eta Chi induction ceremony, Indiana Wesleyan University

1994-2009 Nursing orientation to Bone Marrow Transplant (3-4 times/yr)

4/95 "Infectious Complications in Bone Marrow Transplant", Indiana APON Conference

3&5/94 "Red Flags": Watching for Acute Complications in Bone Marrow Transplant, Louisville oncology conference

11/93&94 How Children Cope with Loss and Grief

6/93 Pain Assessment in Children

2/93 Contemporary Issues in Pediatric Oncology - A Day in the Life of a Bone Marrow Transplant Patient, Conference Kosair Children's Hospital

1992, 1993 Physical Assessment R/T BMT (2 times yearly)

12/90 Nursing Documentation and Care Planning

1990-present BLS instructor

Professional Activities

4/2024, 4/2025

4/2026 NONPF Annual Conference

10/23, 10/24 AACN Deans Conference

1/2023 AACN Conference on Doctoral Education

2/2020 – 2026 Pri-Med virtual conferences (2 yearly)

2/16 – 2/26 CAPNI NP Conference

2/19 AANP conference

10/15 NLN Summit

4/15, 11/15,
4/16, 1/17 Primary Care Updates for Pediatrics

3/15 CAPNI NP conference

10/14 Pri-med updates in primary care

8/14 Basic Suturing for Practice

10/13 Pri-med updates in primary care

6/12 Innovations in Spiritual Care

4/12 USI Research in EBP Conference

12/11 Primed Midwest Conference

3/11 CAPNI NP updates for Indiana

10/10 Pri-med updates in primary care

4/08 Adolescent Health Care, Las Vegas, NV

6/07 AANP National Conference, Indianapolis, IN

4/07 Primed Midwest Conference, Chicago, IL

11/06 Primed updates in primary care

4/06 NONPF annual conference

11/05 Primed updates in primary care

3/05 Primed-updates in primary care

10/04 Primed-updates in primary care

4/04 ONS national conference – Anaheim, CA

10/03 Issues in Continuous Renal Replacement therapy, Indianapolis, IN

6/03 Pri-med – Current Issues in Primary Care, Chicago, IL

4/03 Critical Care Practice Issues, Las Vegas, NV
 2/03 Updates in Primary Care, Indianapolis, IN
 6/02 Pri-med – Current Issues in Primary Care, Chicago, IL
 12/01 Contemporary Pediatrics, Indianapolis, IN
 11/01 Contemporary Trends in Pediatric BMT, St. Augustine, FL
 6/01 Pri-med - Current Issues in Primary Care, Chicago, IL
 5/01 Recent Developments on Stem Cell Cord blood transplantation,
 Indianapolis, IN
 5/01 Oncology Nursing Society National Conference, San Diego, CA
 6/00 Pri-med - Current Issues in Primary Care, Chicago, IL
 5/00 Oncology Nursing Society National Conference, San Antonio, TX
 10/99 American Bariatric Association, Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV
 5/99 Oncology Nursing Society Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA
 6/98 Pediatric Critical Care Nursing, Indianapolis, IN
 9/97-present Developing Core curriculum for nursing education for BMT
 5/97 Pharmaceutical Care of the Oncology Patient, Indianapolis, IN
 5/97 Oncology Nursing Society National Conference, New Orleans, LA
 10/96 Progressive Pediatrics, Indianapolis, IN
 10/95 Oncology Nursing Society Fall Institute, Nashville, TN
 4/95 Over the First Hurdles, Successes in Bone Marrow Transplant, IAPON
 Conference, Indianapolis, IN
 1/95 Transplantation: The Ultimate Pieces of the Puzzle, Indianapolis, IN
 5/94 Oncology Nursing Society National Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio
 5/93 Oncology Nursing Society National Conference, Orlando, FL
 5/93 Child Abuse and Neglect
 2/93 Care of the Renal Patient
 6/92 Certification - Family Nurse Practitioner - ANA
 12/91 AIDS Seminar - Kosair Children's Hospital
 6/90 UCLA Teaching Assistant, Physical Assessment
 10/89 National Symposium on Pediatric Critical Care
 3/89 "Safe Sitter" Instructor Training Program
 2/89 Primary Nurse Workshop, Los Angeles
 1/89 AACN Symposium on Critical Care, Los Angeles
 8/88 Care and Discharge of the Ventilator-Dependent Child, Los Angeles
 3/88 Disturbed Behavior Workshop, Marion
 12/87 Symposium on Cardiac Research, Indianapolis
 10/87 Quality Assurance Workshop
 3/86 Research Symposium on Women's Health, McBride, PhD.
 1/86 Intercultural Nursing Requirement, LaGonave, Haiti
 3/85 Research Symposium - Changing Trends in nursing, Leininger, Ph.D.
 1/85 Research Project, *England's National Health Care*, London, England