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Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Candidate — (Expected May 2026)

National Healthcare Quality, Patient Safety & Value-Based Care Leader

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

National healthcare quality and patient safety leader with 15+ years of experience spanning frontline critical care, enterprise clinical operations, and national program leadership within a clinician membership association. Recognized for designing first-of-their-kind national initiatives, translating clinical and claims-based data into actionable strategies, and aligning specialty-specific quality measures with CMS value-based reimbursement programs. Proven ability to drive measurable financial impact, reduce regulatory and safety risk, modernize clinical registries, and influence executive decision-making through data-driven storytelling. Doctoral scholar focused on digital health, analytics, and system-level transformation.

CORE COMPETENCIES

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| ◆ Value-Based Care Strategy (Medicare & Medicare Advantage) | ◆ National Clinical Registries & Performance Benchmarking | ◆ Patient Safety Intelligence & Risk Mitigation |
| ◆ CMS Quality Programs (HCAHPS, CAHPS, HACs, PSIs, Sepsis) | ◆ Clinical Informatics & Registry Analytics | ◆ Executive Dashboards & Board-Level Reporting |
| ◆ Clinical-Financial Performance Alignment | ◆ Regulatory, Accreditation & Compliance Strategy | ◆ Clinical Research, Evidence-Based Practice & Analytics |
| ◆ Digital Health, Program Evaluation & System Transformation | ◆ Reimbursement Optimization & Cost Avoidance | ◆ Policy, Advocacy & Evidence-Informed Communication |
| ◆ Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Applied Analytics in Healthcare Quality | ◆ Natural Language Processing (NLP) for Safety Events, Claims, and Narrative Data | ◆ SQL-Based Data Extraction, Validation, and Analysis |

SIGNATURE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ◆ Executed the first national Closed Claims CME program for anesthesiology, translating malpractice and safety intelligence into scalable education adopted nationally
- ◆ Designed and launched the first Occupational Health module within a national incident reporting system, expanding safety surveillance beyond patient harm to clinician workforce risk
- ◆ Interconnected specialty-specific clinical quality measures with CMS value-based programs, strengthening relevance, adoption, and reimbursement alignment
- ◆ Redesigned patient experience and safety survey frameworks to align with HCAHPS and CAHPS, improving usability, benchmarking, and executive insight

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- ◆ Led a system-wide Sepsis Quality Campaign that improved early recognition, bundle compliance, and mortality while saving the organization millions of dollars through avoided penalties and improved CMS performance
- ◆ Authored and operationalized a sustainable OPPE policy, strengthening clinician accountability, regulatory readiness, and ongoing professional practice evaluation

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clinical Data Program Manager - Clinical Informatics & Research | June 2021–November 2025

American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) | Schaumburg, IL

National informatics and patient safety leader supporting large-scale clinical registries, malpractice claims analysis, and education programs used by hospitals and academic medical centers nationwide

- ◆ Led national clinical data registry strategy and modernization, overseeing governance, workflows, analytics, and research across patient safety and quality programs
- ◆ Executed the first national Closed Claims CME, converting malpractice data into clinician-facing education that strengthened safety awareness and professional practice
- ◆ Designed and launched the first Occupational Health module within a national incident reporting system, expanding surveillance to clinician injury, burnout, and workforce safety
- ◆ Interconnected specialty-specific quality measures with CMS value-based reimbursement frameworks, improving alignment between clinical performance, policy, and financial impact
- ◆ Translated complex registry, safety, and claims data into executive-ready dashboards, board briefings, and strategic recommendations
- ◆ Served as a trusted advisor to physician leaders, committees, and national boards, influencing policy, education, and patient safety priorities
- ◆ Governed informatics-led CME and education initiatives, improving clinician adoption and system-level learning
- ◆ Applied PSO, regulatory, and compliance expertise to ensure national initiatives met federal and accreditation requirements

Clinical Quality Specialist & Clinical Registry Analyst | May 2019–June 2021

UW Health System – Northern Illinois | Rockford, IL

Enterprise quality and analytics leader supporting hospital performance, regulatory readiness, and value-based reimbursement

- ◆ Designed and led a system-wide Sepsis Quality Campaign, improving early recognition, bundle compliance, and mortality while saving millions of dollars through improved CMS quality performance
- ◆ Identified organizational performance gaps and targeted change initiatives using registry, mortality, and safety data
- ◆ Authored and implemented a sustainable OPPE policy, strengthening clinician evaluation, peer review, and compliance
- ◆ Managed hospital-wide quality initiatives, including PSIs, HACs, HAIs, mortality review, STS, and VQI (Value-Based Care Strategy)

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- ◆ Translated clinical and registry data into executive dashboards and board-level insights, connecting quality outcomes to financial impact
- ◆ Served as liaison between clinicians, finance, quality leadership, and executives to support value-based strategy
- ◆ Supported regulatory readiness and performance improvement through rigorous data validation, reporting, and executive communication

Director of Health Services | OCT 2016–APR 2018

Presence Health – Morning Star Village | ROCKFORD, IL

Executive clinical and operational leader overseeing care delivery, workforce performance, and regulatory compliance

- ◆ Directed clinical operations across a 170+ resident environment, overseeing nursing, therapy, staffing, and quality
- ◆ Achieved Zero IDPH citations through proactive risk identification and evidence-based practice
- ◆ Built high-performing teams with an industry-leading retention rate of 82% and 47% increase in resident satisfaction rates, serving as a regional mentor and trainer for new Directors of Nursing
- ◆ Strengthened regulatory readiness, safety culture, and operational performance

RN – Neuro/Trauma/Burn ICU | Aug 2011–Oct 2016

Saint Anthony Medical Center | Rockford, IL

- ◆ Critical care RN providing high-acuity, evidence-based care to complex patients
- ◆ Expertise in neuro assessment, trauma care, ventilator management, invasive monitoring, and burn care
- ◆ Delivered advanced clinical care to high-acuity patients, building a strong foundation in clinical risk recognition, documentation, and quality outcomes

EDUCATION

Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP), Healthcare Leadership | August 2020–*May 2026*

Saint Anthony College of Nursing | Rockford, IL

- ◆ Awarded member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing
- ◆ Doctoral dissertation on digital health efficacy on Medicaid individuals

Bachelor of Science in Nursing | August 2009–December 2011

Saint Anthony College of Nursing | Rockford, IL

- ◆ Elected Student Class Representative

LISCENCE & CERTIFICATIONS

- ◆ Registered Nurse (RN)
- ◆ Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ)
- ◆ Certified Professional in Patient Safety (CPPS)
- ◆ Health Data Analytics Credential (NAHQ)
- ◆ Certified in Artificial Intelligence
- ◆ Certified in Digital Health