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### **EDUCATION**

- 2021- 2025    **The University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.** Dual degree program: Doctorate of Nursing Practice and Masters in Public Health.  
Leadership and practice-based doctorate with focus on evidence-based practices to improve clinical care delivery, program evaluation, patient and population outcomes, and health system leadership management. Studies included course work in research analysis, methods in research and evaluation, health equity, social and behavioral aspects of health, biostatistics, epidemiology, health informatics, healthcare leadership, management and budgeting, occupational health psychology, adolescent health, and advanced public health nursing.
- 2024 – 2025    **The University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.** Doctoral Student Teaching Fellowship.
- 2011            **The International Centre for Diarrheal Disease Research-Bangladesh (icddr,b) & The University of Vermont: College of Nursing**  
Dhaka, Bangladesh.  
*Focus Area:* Comparative analysis assessing healthcare access between urban and rural communities.
- 2007- 2011    **Bachelor of Science (BS).** Nursing  
**University of Vermont, College of Nursing and Health Sciences-** Burlington, Vermont.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

- 2020- present    **State of Alaska: Department of Health, Section of Public Health Nursing-** Alaska.  
Clinical Director and Itinerant Public Health Nurse with the State of Alaska serving remote villages and rural communities. Emphasis on vaccine preventable diseases and coordinating strategies and impact to lessen the burden of communicable diseases. Supporting essential services at the individual/family,

community and system level areas dedicated to health promotion and prevention. Managing multiple remote communities and healthcare programs. Overseeing nurses and administrative staff in multiple locations.

- Vaccine data to action project lead through use of statewide vaccine reports and community initiatives, Spring 2025
- Presenter for Southeast Farmer's Summit: Sustainable food sources for remote and rural communities, conversations on aging in place and providing care for elders, February 2025
- Co-lead for State of Alaska, Section of Public Health Nursing Strategic Planning Redesign, 2023-2024
- Co-Occurring Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Hub Team ECHO series planner, 2023-2024
- Host and workgroup facilitator for the Juneau/Southeast Opioid and Polysubstance Workgroup, 2022-present
- Presenter for CHOICE Youth Retreat on vaping and tobacco awareness, April 2024
- Developed youth puberty lesson plans for remote Alaskan communities, taught in public schools, Spring 2024
- Cordova Health Fair, April 2024
- Presenter for rural EMS crews on public health responsiveness and intersection with EMS National Standards, March 2024
- Human Trafficking Event Participant and Planner in collaboration with Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska Central Council, February 2024
- Presenter for NAMI Juneau, Alaska: Approaches to Substance Use and Harm Reduction Strategies, January 2024
- Developed Community Diaper Bank through grant funds and partnerships in Cordova, Alaska to benefit families that need free diapers and support services, January 2024
- Culture Heals Conference in Dillingham, Alaska, Fall 2023
- "Breaking Barriers in Rural Health" podcast guest, June 2023
- Presenter with International Law Enforcement Conference (State Troopers, NOAA agents, Border and Security, Royal Canadian Police and Parks Canada, April 2023
- Planner and Host for the Juneau Community Conversation on Opioids and Polysubstance Use, February 2023
- Cordova Community Health Needs Assessment and Strategic Planning Process, November 2022-2023
- Naloxone distribution in rural Alaska, 2020-present
- Juneau Suicide Prevention Coalition Participant, 2022-present
- Participant with the "Community Readiness to Prevent Interpersonal Violence", October 2022

- Participant and co-host for the Cordova Coalition for Healthy Communities, 2021-present
- Public Health Nurse support with the Juneau Teen Health Clinic, 2020-present
- Covid-19 public health strategist and support for various remote communities in Alaska. Supported policies and community safety planning. Aided with contact tracing and guidance, 2020-2021

2017-2020

**Bartlett Regional Hospital, Emergency Department - Alaska.**

Registered Nurse Project Manager. Overseeing multiple staff roles and managing health programs. Responsible for designing and implementing programs focused on high utilizers of emergency department services. Program concentrations included:

- Care coordination and case management partnerships for individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Examination of social determinants of health through data collection and analysis—working with outpatient providers and social service agencies to develop strategies and care plans from a holistic perspective.
- Developed medication assisted treatment induction services in ER with transitional care to outpatient providers.
- Procured grant funding through BRH foundation to develop “Comfort Menu” a non-pharmacological pain management menu for all ER & inpatients in hospital care.
- Facilitator and host of buprenorphine rounds, 2018-2020
- Buprenorphine and MAT Emergency Department induction services policy/procedure co-author, March 2018
- Committee Chair for the Substance Misuse and Harm Reduction task force, December 2017-2020
- Emergency Care Committee, 2017-2020.

2014-2017

**State of Alaska: Department of Health, Section of Public Health Nursing-Alaska.**

Clinical public health nurse supporting essential services at the individual/family, community and system levels in Juneau, Alaska. Focus on health promotion and prevention.

- Presenter at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium: Prevent, Treat, Educate Conference: Working Together to Reduce HIV, STDs, Viral Hepatitis and TB in Alaska, May 2017
- Presenter at the Juneau Youth Violence Prevention Coalition Conference, “Be the Change”, March 2017
- Presenter at the Alaska Public Health Nursing Summit, 2017

- Statewide obesity logic model planning specialist, November 2016-June 2017
- Juneau Opioid Workgroup chair member, September 2015-June 2017
- Partnerships for Family and Children workgroup member, September 2015-June 2017
- State of Alaska Project HOPE Naloxone policy/practice development committee, 2016
- Co-lead for Southeast Alaska Regional Public Health Conference, October 2014

2011-2013 **Juneau School District-** Juneau, Alaska.  
Lead clinical Registered Nurse. Manager for multiple programs and health aid positions. Responsible for providing care to elementary, middle, and high school students in a school district with 6 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, and 2 high schools. Responsible for maintaining health records, daily care needs and health assessments, and developing health promotion and prevention tools for use in education setting. Worked closely with superintendent and school administrators to advocate and develop programing focused on trauma-informed schools and cross-collaborative partnerships with social service agencies and community organizations.

### **HONORS, AWARDS**

2022 **Ironman Alaska**, 140.6-mile triathlon, race finisher.

2019 **Nurse of the Year**, March of Dimes, Alaska.

2018 **Front-Line Staff Outstanding Performance Award, Nominee**, Alaska State Hospital & Nursing Home Association Patient Safety Awards.

2017 **Rising Star Award**, State of Alaska, Section of Public Health Nursing.

2014 **Outstanding Medical Leadership Award**, High Cascade Snowboard Camp, Oregon.

### **VOLUNTEER GROUPS/COMMUNITY SERVICE**

2023-present **Lynn Canal Adventures.** Connecting youth with holistic opportunities to run and snowshoe in Alaska, no matter experience or ability. Serve as a Registered Nurse and health and wellness coordinator for high school youth from across Alaska and the United States.

- 2015-present **Girls on the Run.** Volunteer and coach.
- 2015-2025 **Alaskan AIDS Assistance Association (Four A's).** Board of Directors.
- 2015-present **Project Homeless Connect.** Registered Nurse volunteering to provide flu and pneumonia vaccines, HIV and Hep C rapid testing and follow-up resources for healthcare needs and questions.
- 2016-2020 **JAMHI Health and Wellness.** Board of Directors. Supported integrated primary care clinic into service organization model. Increased housing opportunities with the development of independent and 24-hour assisted units to close gap of housing disparities for individuals experiencing mental health disorders.
- 2014-2020 **National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Juneau Affiliate.** Board of Directors, vice president.
- 2013-present **The Glory Hall Emergency Homeless Shelter.** Established 1x monthly cooking schedule and menu design for local nurses/attending hospital staff to participate in cooking meals at shelter and serving to patrons. Active volunteer for medical resources and vulnerability index surveys. Nurse volunteer offering rapid HIV & Hep C screening on a monthly basis.

### **LICENSURE & CERTIFICATIONS**

- 2011-present *Registered Nurse*, State of Alaska (License No. NURR33615)
- 2020-present Certified RYT-200 Yoga Instructor
- 2011-present BLS/CPR, American Heart Association.
- 2020-2022 ATLS Certified