Daniel Okafor

Chaplain

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SUMMARY

Board certified chaplain with 5 years of hospital chaplaincy and 4 units of ACPE Clinical Pastoral Education. Provides pastoral care and crisis intervention to patients, families and staff of every faith, completes spiritual assessments within 24 hours of referral, and brings clear communication skills and empathy to interdisciplinary rounds.

SKILLS

- **Pastoral Care**
- **Spiritual Care**
- **Spiritual Assessments**
- **Crisis Intervention**
- **Pastoral Counseling**
- **Grief Counseling**
- **Clinical Pastoral Education**
- **Excel**
- **Communication Skills**
- **Empathy**

EXPERIENCE

Chaplain

07/2022 - Present

Piedmont Crescent Medical Center

Charlotte, NC

Staff chaplain on a 6-person spiritual care team at a 620-bed acute care hospital.

- Deliver spiritual care to about **90** patients and families a week across ICU, oncology and emergency units.
- Complete spiritual assessments for new referrals within 24 hours and chart care plans in Epic the same shift.
- Respond to 15-20 trauma, code and death calls a month with crisis intervention for families and nurses.
- Present patient spiritual needs at weekly interdisciplinary team meetings for 3 palliative care units.

Chaplain Resident

08/2021 - 06/2022

Queen City Regional Hospital

Charlotte, NC

Twelve-month ACPE-accredited residency at a 400-bed community hospital.

- Completed 3 units of Clinical Pastoral Education across 1,600 supervised hours on medical and surgical floors.
- Offered pastoral counseling to about 25 patients a week facing new diagnoses, surgery or end-of-life decisions.
- Covered 36 overnight on-call shifts as the only chaplain for the hospital and its emergency department.
- Logged visits and referrals in an Excel tracker the department used for monthly volume reports.

Pastoral Care Minister

08/2019 - 07/2021

Grace Fellowship Church

Durham, NC

Part-time ministry role held during seminary at a congregation of 450 members.

- Visited 30 homebound and hospitalized members a month and arranged meal and ride support with deacons.
- Trained 12 lay visitors in grief counseling basics and paired each with a homebound member.
- Officiated 14 funerals and memorial services after meeting each family to plan the service.

EDUCATION

Master of Divinity

Duke Divinity School

Divinity

Durham, NC

05/2021

CERTIFICATES

Board Certified Chaplain (BCC) 04/2024

Association of Professional Chaplains

Clinical Pastoral Education, 4 Units 06/2022

ACPE