

Denise Washington

RESPIRATORY THERAPY SUPERVISOR

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SUMMARY

Respiratory Therapy Supervisor with 13 years in respiratory care, including 5 years supervising a 48-person department across 2 hospitals. Manages staff scheduling, budgets, equipment and Joint Commission readiness, brings steady problem solving to daily operations, and still covers ventilator management and codes when units are short. RRT credentialed with a BS in Respiratory Therapy.

SKILLS

Other Skills: Respiratory Care, Ventilator Management, Staff Scheduling, Budget Management, Joint Commission Readiness, Quality Improvement, Staff Training, Safety Event Review, Problem Solving, Leadership

EXPERIENCE

Respiratory Therapy Supervisor

01/2021 - Present

Bluegrass Health System

Louisville, KY

Two-hospital system with 750 beds, 5 ICUs and a level III NICU.

- Direct **48** therapists and 4 lead therapists across 2 hospitals, covering 3 shifts and 5 ICUs.
- Handle budget management for a \$6.2 million operating budget, cutting supply costs 14% by standardizing ventilator circuits.
- Prepared the department for 2 Joint Commission surveys that closed with zero respiratory findings.
- Reduced therapist turnover from 24% to 11% by adding self-scheduling and a clinical ladder.

Lead Respiratory Therapist

05/2017 - 12/2020

Derby City General Hospital

Louisville, KY

Acute care hospital with 380 beds and a 24-bed ICU.

- Ran shift assignments for **10** therapists and covered ventilator management in the medical ICU.
- Led a quality improvement project on therapist-driven protocols that cut unnecessary nebulizer treatments by 30%.
- Managed the replacement of 40 ventilators, training 70 therapists before go-live.
- Investigated 25 safety events a year, finding root causes and closing action items with nursing leaders.

Registered Respiratory Therapist

06/2013 - 04/2017

Southern Indiana Medical Center

Jeffersonville, IN

Community hospital across the river from Louisville.

- Provided ventilator, oxygen and aerosol therapy to **16** patients a shift.
- Responded to 300 codes and rapid responses on the code team.
- Precepted 12 students from 2 respiratory therapy programs.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science

05/2013

Bellarmine University

Louisville, KY

Respiratory Therapy

CERTIFICATES

Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT)

National Board for Respiratory Care

07/2013

Respiratory Care Practitioner License

Kentucky Board of Respiratory Care

07/2013

BLS and ACLS Provider

American Heart Association

03/2025