

During my first four shifts I have experienced and learned so much. My first shift we started out with a CRRT patient, but she ended up coming off during the day, so I got to experience an admission. During this day I worked on transitioning from my role as a CNA/NT into a nursing role, which is very different to me. I only charted on the one patient this day and got comfortable with the new assessment charting. On second shift I took two patients on my own and did both of their assessments, meds, and charting. It was a good way for me to work on my time management in the nursing role. During this shift, I transferred both of my patients to med-surg floors and Bailey ended up being sent home. I was put with another nurse who had a patient that had a chemical paralytic drip going. I got to learn how they monitor the paralysis and got to see the machine that they use to test nerve stimulation. On my third shift I got to place a rectal tube and managed giving over 15 meds at once. It was challenging but with Bailey's help, we got it done. I also took out an art line and gave meds through a PEG tube. I even transferred our second patient to another floor on this shift as well. The unit got down to three patients in the afternoon, so we spent the last two hours restocking carts and cleaning the unit. This was to help nightshift in case they got slammed with patients. On my fourth shift we started out with two patients but around 10 am we had to switch assignments since Bailey was the only nurse on the floor that could do CRRT, and a patient needed it. Before we switched assignments, I got to take care of a patient who had bipolar disorder. They were on another floor but had a round of SVT on night shift and was transferred to MICU. Bailey asked me questions about the rhythm strip, and we talked about what to do when a patient has SVT. I got to see the initiation process of CRRT and manage several drips that included three maxed out pressors. The unit was very busy, so I helped with nurses getting new admissions, preventing a patient from falling, and transferring a patient. While doing all of this our CRRT patient had Q1 glucose checks, so I kept up with that along

with the other tasks that needed to be completed. Overall, I feel like my time management has improved and I have been able to piece pathology together better. It has been an amazing time so far and I will continue to improve my med knowledge, assessment skills, and time management.