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My whole life I have wanted to become an RN, no questions asked. I haven't thought much further than that up until I got into this semester. I know for certain as far as "formal education" I want to go back to obtain my BSN. This is because I have not only done most of the work already, but also, I will have a better chance at advancing in my career and getting higher pay. Lately, I have been tossing the idea around in my head of getting my master's degree (MSN). I am not completely sure about this just yet, but if I were to go back for this it would be to open more options up for my career.

As for certification after school I am looking into obtaining critical care registered nurse (CCRN), ACLS, and Trauma nursing core course (TNCC). The reasons for these are because of the specialty I see myself working in. My hope is to be working in the ICU or ER setting, this has always been my goal ever since I was little. My dad is an RN and he worked in the ICU and ER setting most of his career, so the love for critical patient care came from him.

Although, I have learned from my experiences and education my reasoning goes further than just my love for it. I work best in busy environments. I like fast pace and having to think critically in situations to provide the best care for my patients. I believe it all comes down to enjoying challenges. If I am not running around trying to keep up with everything or having to use my brain to figure something out, I get bored easily. Lastly, I want to have an impact on my patients and their families lives, to give them comfort that they are in good hands.