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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Social Work

Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, TN

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EXPERIENCE

Social Work Intern

Kennedy's Outpatient Center at Erlanger

General Pediatrics

2019 – Present

- Create a housing, utilities, food, and immigrant services resource list for social work case manager
- Refer patients to needed services such as Chattanooga Food Bank, Nooga Diversity Center, Insurance Non-Emergency Transportation, and other community resources
- Provide Spanish interpretation for clients with social needs such as insurance, legal status and follow-up appointments

Social Work Intern

TC Thompson Children's Hospital at Erlanger

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

2018 – Present

- Educate using research-based interventions such as postpartum depression and safe sleep to mothers/families with newborns
- Discharge planning by scheduling pediatrician appointments
- Initiate Child Protective Services referrals for neglected or abused patients

Pediatric Intensive Care Unit

2017 – Present

- Conduct psychosocial assessments on families, including Spanish speaking
- Collaborate in daily huddle meetings with a team of interdisciplinary professionals
- Coordinate logistic needs of patient families by referring them to local resources such as Ronald McDonald House and Catholic Charities, or providing food vouchers and gas cards for eligible patients.
- Assist social work case managers with writing case notes and navigating the hospital database

SKILLS

- Community resource knowledge
- Proficient in patient intakes and assessments
- Fluent in Spanish (verbal and written)
- Excellent active listening skills
- Adaptable
- Detail oriented