Joanne R. Kealoha

EdD, MSN, BSN, RN



Current Position

Chair of Nursing at Argosy University Hawaii

Licensures / Awards

Pennsylvania State Nursing Board Examination



Professional RN Licensure in State of Hawaii since



National Association of School Nurses' Educational Advancement Award

Work Experience

Adjunct Faculty

2011 - Present, Argosy University, Honolulu, Hawaii

Dissertation Chair and committee member on dissertation committee. Proven team member in Argosy Hawaii's ohana. Courses taught for Argosy University include:

Master of Public Health Courses

PH6606 Field Experience I: Leadership in Public Health PH6607 Field Experience II: Leadership in Public Health

Master of Business Administration Courses

B6507 Healthcare Organizations: Changing Dynamics and Emerging Trends B6508 Managing Programs and New Initiatives in Healthcare PH6512 Public Health Informatics

Undergraduate Program Courses

SCI201 Ecology and Environmental Sustainability SCI215 Contemporary Applications of the Sciences

Academic Advisor

Argosy University, Honolulu, Hawaii

Establishes and maintains direct relationships with students. Interprets Argosy University's academic policy to students in a manner in which they may understand. Supports student life and learning through student advocacy, building course schedules, makes appropriate course selections for students, academic coaching; and creating a nurturing academic environment from the initial meeting all the way through graduation.

Passionate about excellence in education. Supports the Argosy's organizational vision, mission, and goals. Cooperates with others and facilitates teamwork with colleagues and coworkers.

School Nurse

Hawaii Baptist Academy, Honolulu, Hawaii

Supports student success by health promotion and education throughout the Hawaii Baptist Academy community. Ability to handle the complex queries and problems of students, their families, and faculty. Exemplary written and oral communication skills. Awarded National Association of School Nurses' Educational Advancement Award. Provided in-service training to staff on topic such as bloodborne pathogens, coordinated school wide influenza clinic, and served as guest speaker in health classes. Delivered direct patient care to students and faculty.

Labor Relations Specialist

Hawaii Nurses' Association, Honolulu, Hawaii

Furthered my decision making and problem solving skills by representing the nurse members of Hawaii Nurses' Association. Developed persuasion and influencing expertise in assisting nurses and employers to find constructive resolution of conflicts. Learned negotiating skills through collective bargaining sessions with the five major hospitals on Oahu.

Registered Professional Nurse III

Hilo Medical Center acute care psychiatric unit, Hilo, Hawaii

Handled sometimes chaotic and potentially dangerous situations with a clam and rational demeanor. Teamwork paramount in working with other nurses, physicians, therapists, and patient's families. Strengthened my interpersonal skills

Clinical Nurse Specialist/Staff Nurse

Department of Veterans' Affairs, Hilo and Honolulu, Hawaii

Practitioner role with prescriptive authority. Worked with supervising physician. Delivered direct patient care to veterans. Followed nursing protocols for disease management. Wrote several of the protocols. Collaborated in interdisciplinary teams. Enhanced leadership skills.

Public Health Nurse

State of Hawaii Department of Health, Hilo, Hawaii

Learned how to assess communities and populations. Home visits to patients refined my therapeutic listening skills. Needed to be adaptable and flexible. Patient teaching with the emphasis on prevention. Fitting in with the culture was very important.

Nursing Instructor

taught part-time in both the LPN and RN nursing programs at the University of Hawaii at Hilo

Taught under the direction of Dr. Genevieve Kinney. The courses were focused on nursing concepts, medical and surgical topics, and health assessment. Tutored nursing students in mathematics. Dr. Kinney has been contacted for the list of course names.

Director of Nursing



Supervised a staff of RNs and LPNs. Responsible for computing a schedule and coverage roster. Coordinated the specialist physicians who visited regularly. Helped with all clinical issues which arose, from missing medications to assigning the correct Current Procedural Terminology.

On-call Staff Nurse

Kaiser, Kapiolani, Queens, and Wahiawa hospitals while pursuing graduate nursing studies at University of Hawaii, Manoa, Hawaii

Worked on all acute care units; from intensive care, to labor and delivery, to emergency department. Developed keen assessment skills and nursing judgement. Learned how to reframe less that optimal situations into better ones

Graduate Nurse and Registered Nurse

East Suburban Health Care System, Monroeville, Pennsylvania

Education

Doctor of Education degree, Argosy University at Hawaii College of Business / Organizational Leadership program.

Dissertation "Spirituality Through a Band-Aid: School Nurses' Spiritual Care Practices"

Pharmacology for Advanced Practice Nurses, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Maternal-child Clinical Nurse Specialist / Master of Science degree in Nursing, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing, Carlow University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania