

The Exceptional Nurse Newsletter

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Hello to all Exceptional Nurses and supporters,

ExceptionalNurse.com Disabled Nurses Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund

As the second anniversary of Hurricane Katrina approaches, please remember that nurses with disabilities continue to suffer. ExceptionalNurse.com continues to receive emails and calls requesting assistance. Donations (large or small) are needed. Mail checks to ExceptionalNurse.com, 13019 Coastal Circle, Palm Beach Gardens, Fl 33410 or give online at <http://tinyurl.com/2adzle>.

Read “**Disabled and Displaced**” in *Advance for Nurses*.

<http://tinyurl.com/37s9wv>

Employment Opportunities

ComForcare Senior Services (Middleburg Heights, Ohio)

ComForcare Senior Services is looking for an RN Supervisor. Responsibilities include (but not limited to) opening cases, home visits, and orientation. Driving is required. We offer flexible schedules and excellent wages. Please call 440-884-3328 to schedule an appointment. You can also fax your resume to 440-884-3389. Apply in person at 7123 Pearl Rd. suite 308 Middleburg Hts, OH 44130 8:30am- 4:30pm Mon - Fri. Contact Jessica Stout at servicescomforcare@att.net.

Sterile Processing (Seattle, Washington)

A nurse is needed to provide system-wide leadership for the Sterile Processing departments and to develop relationships with surgery to improve instrumentation quality, delivery and care. Apply your perioperative nursing and contribute to outstanding patient care in a growing, dynamic surgical services department.

Position requires a Baccalaureate degree in a related area, 5+ years of directly related experience in a tertiary acute care hospital, and CS Certification or the ability to obtain certification within one year. RN License, OR experience, and strong leadership and communication skills are required. Apply at www.swedish.org/jobs or contact ann.wendell@swedish.org.

Occupational RN (North Carolina)

A staffing agency is seeking nurses to fill Occupational RN needs in RTP (Raleigh/Durham NC) at a Fortune 500 Pharmaceutical Company. Duties include

telephonic assessments, handling of all emergencies, and processing workers compensation info. Must have good computer skills. Case Management and/or Occupational RN experience a huge plus. Full time, M-F, 8-4:30.

Requirements: 1-2 years Occupational Health Experience and/or Case Management, OHN Certification is not required. Two years of ED, urgent care or cardiac experience. Valid RN license in NC. Send resumes to Attn: Alissa at resume@atlanticstaffing.net

The Sister Study

The Sister Study is the only long-term study of women aged 35 to 74 whose sister had breast cancer. It is a national study to learn how environment and genes affect the chances of getting breast cancer. In the next 3 years, 50,000 women whose sister had breast cancer, and who do not have breast cancer themselves will be asked to join the study. Join the study at <http://www.sisterstudy.org/English/index1.htm>.

Imagine the possibilities if....

“Leave No Nurse Behind: Nurses working with disabilities” became a best seller!!

Potential nursing students, current nursing students and practicing nurses with disabilities need to know that a career in nursing is possible. Can you help out by calling your local public, hospital or university library and making a suggestion for purchase of this book?

“Leave No Nurse Behind: Nurses Working with disabilities” by Donna Maheady. Eleven nurses who defied disability tell their personal stories of courage and determination to continue to practice. The nurses have a wide range of disabilities including MS, arthritis, HIV, spina bifida, mental illness, vision loss, d/Deaf, back injuries, tremors, dystonia, an limb loss. The book is available at www.iUniverse.com and at other online booksellers for 14.95. ISBN is 0-595-39649-6.

Order a personalized, autographed copy of *Leave No Nurse Behind: Nurses working with disAbilities* directly from ExceptionalNurse.com. It makes a great personal or professional gift. Email: ExceptionalNurse@aol.com.

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program

Spring 2008 Application Open - Deadline: October 9, 2007

The Gilman International Scholarship Program provides awards of up to \$5,000 for U.S. undergraduate students to study abroad. The program aims to diversify the kinds of student who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go. The program serves students who have been under-represented in study abroad which includes: students with financial need, community college students, students in under-represented

fields such as the sciences and engineering, students from diverse ethnic backgrounds, students attending minority-serving institutions, and students with disabilities.

Students must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application and cannot be studying in a country currently under a U.S. Department of State Travel Warning or in Cuba. The program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Institute of International Education. For information and the online application: <http://www.iese.org/gilman>.

Mentors

Exceptional Nurse is always looking for mentors. If you are interested in helping others, please email ExceptionalNurse@aol.com. Only email addresses are listed on the web site. In addition, a reminder to our current mentors, if you change email addresses, please remember to let us know.

Continuing Education

“Teaching Nursing Students with Disabilities” by Donna Maheady, ARNP, Ed.D.
“Writing Your Way to Health and Healing: An interactive workshop for nurses with disabilities” by Connie Adleman, RN
“When your student is Deaf” by Martha McElyea, MSN, Rockhurst/Research College of Nursing
Visit the Continuing Education page of ExceptionalNurse.com for details.

Volunteer opportunities

<http://www.redcross.org>, <http://www.missingkids.com>, <http://www.nod.org> ,
<http://www.mobilityproject.org/>, http://www.uniteforsight.org/intl_volunteer,
www.invisiblechildren.com, www.savedarfur.org

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Live generously,

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