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Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia

3401 Civic Center Blvd

Philadelphia, PA 19104

RE: Registered Nurse

Dear Hiring Manager:

Please accept my application for the Registered Nurse position with the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP). I was attracted to this position because I am very interested in beginning my nursing career in a residency program. I have researched the top teaching hospitals in Pennsylvania and found CHOP to be one of the best; receiving many awards such as a three-year Accreditation by Joint Commission on Health Care Organizations and Magnet recognition. The clinical experience I gained as a Widener University nursing student has prepared me to be a successful registered nurse in many ways. I learned how to collaborate with all members of the healthcare team to provide excellent patient care, use critical thinking to solve problems, develop leadership skills, and advocate for patients. I would welcome the opportunity to utilize these skills as a part of CHOP’s Nurse Residence Program.

Last semester, I had the opportunity to work with a Respiratory Therapist at Penn Medicine Rittenhouse managed by Good Shepherd Penn Partners. In this inpatient rehabilitation hospital, I cared for patients who had tracheostomies and were on ventilators. My first interaction with a patient who was sedated, on a ventilator, and unable to communicate was scary. During this twelve-week clinical, I watched the Respiratory Therapist wean our patient off the ventilator. I knew our patient was progressing because I could read his lips as he was mouthing words and using sign language to communicate and answer questions. By the end of the clinical rotation, I was able to have a full conversation with him before he was discharged. It was an amazing experience to see someone progress from needing the support of a ventilator to being able to talk and go home. This experience, among many others, provided me with essential skills in patient care, teamwork, and critical thinking that will be assets as a beginning professional nurse.

 I would like to put my emerging patient care skills to work for your facility and would welcome the opportunity for a personal interview. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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