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Talent Acquisition

Christiana Care Health System

4755 Ogletown Stanton Road

Newark, DE 19713

RE: Graduate Nurse Residency Program – Critical Care Position

Dear Hiring Manager:

As a soon to graduate nursing student at Widener University (May 2018) with the NCLEX exam scheduled for June, I am excited to apply for this interesting and challenging role within your residency program. As an avid learner, I would appreciate the chance to gain exposure to the wide variety of specialties offered through your program. Christiana Care’s values of innovation and dedication to community outreach and service highlighted in your mission statement resonated within me. My experiences as a teaching assistant and volunteer have provided an early foundation in both process innovation and community education. I would welcome the opportunity to build upon these experiences as a Nurse Resident.

In addition to my nursing skills, I have developed leadership skills as a teaching assistant for third-year nursing students in a course focused on evidence-based practice. This unique course not only involves research, but also fosters interdisciplinary education by integrating nursing and engineering students. I have led nursing and engineering students into different hospitals to communicate with healthcare staff and identify “unmet needs” that exist within the healthcare profession. Utilizing the SBAR technique, I have taught these students communication skills to facilitate meaningful working relationships and critically think to solve problems within the healthcare system.

Community outreach has also been a big part of my college career. I volunteered with many types of organizations that serve diverse populations along the life span continuum. For example, I worked with children at the Boys and Girls Club of Chester and currently volunteer at Crozer Chester Medical Center, helping to screen community members for high blood pressure and educating them about strategies to decrease blood pressure naturally. My goal is to build upon my passion for community service and to expand it to the global community level.

In closing, I believe that my education, early clinical experience, and focus on community outreach would be assets in the Nurse Residency Program. I would appreciate the opportunity for a personal interview and will contact you in two weeks to follow up on my application. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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