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**Curriculum Vitae**

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School of Nursing  
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**EDUCATION**

**Undergraduate**

**1977-1981** Indiana University of Pennsylvania BSN  
Indiana, PA. Nursing, Summa Cum Laude

**Graduate**

**1992-1994** University of Pittsburgh MSN  
School of Nursing Nursing  
Pittsburgh, PA Critical Care Clinical Nurse  
Specialist

**Scholarly Paper** “Quality of Documentation After Implementation of a Bedside Clinical Information System”

**2017-2018** University of Pittsburgh DNP  
School of Nursing Post-Master’s DNP Program  
Pittsburgh, PA Adult-Gerontology - Clinical  
Nurse Specialist

**DNP Capstone Project:** Simulation-Based Cardiopulmonary Feedback Training: A Quality Improvement Project

## APPOINTMENTS AND POSITIONS

### Academic

**January 2019-present**      University of Pittsburgh  
School of Nursing  
Department of Health and  
Community Systems  
Pittsburgh, PA      **Associate Professor**  
Nursing Informatics

**8/2017-12/2018**      University of Pittsburgh  
School of Nursing  
Department of Acute and  
Tertiary Care  
Pittsburgh, PA      **Teaching Fellow**

### Non-Academic

**8/2015-6/2017**      MedExpress Urgent Care  
1001 Consol Energy Drive  
Canonsburg, PA      **Vice President, Clinical  
Operations**

**1/2015-8/2015**      MedExpress Urgent Care  
1001 Consol Energy Drive  
Canonsburg, PA      **Director, Clinical  
Transformation**

**8/2014-11/2014**      Aspen Advisors (Chartis Group)  
150 East Ponce deLeone Avenue  
Suite 400  
Decatur, Georgia      **Independent Consultant**

**1/2012-6/2014**      Information Services Division  
UPMC  
200 Lothrop Street  
Pittsburgh, PA      **Vice President, ISD**  
Epic Systems

**5/2007-1/2012**      Physician Services Division  
UPMC  
200 Lothrop Street  
Pittsburgh, PA      **Director**  
EpicCare System

**5/2005-5/2007**      Physician Services Division  
UPMC      **Project Director**  
EpicCare System

<b>12/2000-5/2005</b>	Information Services Division UPMC	<b>Project Director</b> Application Integration Physician Integration Cerner System
<b>12/1998-12/2000</b>	Information Services Division UPMC	<b>Medical Project Coordinator</b> Cerner System
<b>7/1997-12/1998</b>	Information Services Division UPMC	<b>Clinical System Analyst</b> Emtek, Critical Care Information System
<b>10/1993-7/1997</b>	Presbyterian University Hospital University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Pittsburgh, PA	<b>Clinical Director,</b> Cardiothoracic and Surgical Intensive Care Unit, Cardiothoracic Transplant Intermediate Units
<b>10/1992-10/1993</b>	Presbyterian University Hospital	<b>Nurse Coordinator,</b> Cardiothoracic Surgery Department
<b>7/1989-9/1992</b>	Presbyterian University Hospital	<b>Clinical Coordinator,</b> Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit
<b>9/1987-7/1989</b>	Presbyterian University Hospital	<b>Staff Nurse I, II, Charge,</b> Surgical Intensive Care Unit
<b>1/1987-9/1987</b>	Washington Hospital Center 110 Irving Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.	<b>Clinical Nurse</b> Coronary Intensive Care Unit
<b>1/1985-1/1987</b>	Lowell General Hospital 295 Varnum Avenue Lowell, MA	<b>Clinical Nurse</b> Intensive Care Unit
<b>9/1982-1/1985</b>	National Institutes of Health NIH Clinical Center Bethesda, MD	<b>Clinical Nurse, GS 9 and 10</b> Medical Intensive Care Unit
<b>5/1981-9/1982</b>	Presbyterian University Hospital	<b>Staff Nurse,</b> Intensive Care Unit

## LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATIONS

<b>1981-present</b>	Registered Nurse, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania RN245300L
<b>1984-1998</b>	CCRN Certification American Association of Critical Care Nurses
<b>1985-1987</b> <b>1987</b>	Registered Nurse, Commonwealth of Massachusetts Registered Nurse, District of Columbia
<b>1984-1998</b>	Advance Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) American Heart Association
<b>1981-1998</b> <b>2017-present</b>	Basic Cardiac Life Support (BLS) American Heart Association

## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1982-2014 2019 - present	Sigma Theta Tau Zeta Lambda Chapter, Charter Member, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
	Sigma Theta Tau Eta Chapter, University of Pittsburgh
<b>1984-2012</b>	American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN)
<b>1990-1998</b>	Three Rivers Chapter, AACN
<b>1992-1998</b>	International Transplant Nurses Society

## HONORS

<b>2016</b>	Innovation Award, Well Child Health Screening Program UnitedHealth Group, MedExpress
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## PUBLICATIONS AND POSTERS

<b>2005</b>	Pellegrini, D. P., Raghu, S., & Waechter, D. K. (2005). Structured electronic documentation (SED) cardiac surgery and PowerNote- a pilot
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project. *AMIA ... Annual Symposium proceedings. AMIA Symposium, 2005, 1076.*

- 6/1992, 1/1993** Clinical Application of the Emtek Clinical Information System at UPMC  
Poster presentation at the Emtek Clinical Information System User Group Meeting, Phoenix, AZ
- 2/2019** Simulation-Based Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Feedback Training: A Quality Improvement Project. (2018). Poster presentation at Sigma Theta Tau meeting, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 4/2019** Simulation-Based Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Feedback Training: A Quality Improvement Project. (2018). Poster presentation at UPMC Nurses Week Conference, Pittsburgh, PA.

### **Unpublished Master's Scholarly Paper**

1. Waechter, D. (1992). Quality of Documentation After Implementation of a Bedside Clinical Information System. University of Pittsburgh, School of Nursing, (Advisor- Marilyn Hravnak, PhD, RN).

### **Unpublished Doctoral Capstone**

1. Waechter, D., George, E., Miller, S, Ren, D., Farkas, D. Lutz, J., Schmidhofer, M. & Tuite, P. (2018). Simulation-Based Cardiopulmonary Feedback Training: A Quality Improvement Project. University of Pittsburgh, School of Nursing. (Advisor – Patricia Tuite, PhD, RN).

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **International**

1. **Waechter, D.** (2000). IX Reunion Nacional de Enfermeria de Trasplante Hepatico. Experiences with the implementation of the Clinical Information Systems: Standardized orders for patients with Liver Transplants. Pamplona, Spain.
2. **Waechter, D.** (2000). IX Reunion Nacional de Enfermeria de Trasplante Hepatico. Post-operative care of the liver transplant patient. Pamplona, Spain.

### **National**

1. **Waechter, D.** (2003). Cerner Healthcare Conference. “PowerNote Open Session”. Representing UPMC. Kansas City, MO.

2. **Waechter, D.** (2001). Cerner Healthcare Conference. *“The Triumphs and Challenges of an Integrated System”*. Representing UPMC. Kansas City, MO.
3. **Waechter, D & Buck, L.** (May 1997). *“Multidisciplinary Work Teams + Technology. The Bridge Over Troubled Water”*. National Teaching Institute. American Association of Critical Care Nurses, Orlando, Florida.
4. **Waechter, D.** (October 1994). *“Postoperative Complications of the Cardiothoracic Surgery Patient”, “Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation”, “Postoperative Management of the Cardiothoracic Surgery on the Stepdown Unit” and “Pathophysiologic Changes After Cardiopulmonary Bypass”*. Mary Washington Hospital, Fredericksburg, VA.
5. **Waechter, D.** (August 1994). *“Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation”*. Wheeling Hospital, Wheeling, West Virginia.
6. **Waechter, D.** (May 1991). The Beat Goes On: New Frontiers in Cardiac Transplantation. *“Denervation of the Transplanted Heart”, “Immediate Post-Operative Care” and “Complications of Transplantation”*. Saint Joseph’s Hospital, Creighton University Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska.
7. **Waechter, D.** (April 1992). *“Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation”*. Westmoreland Hospital, Westmoreland, PA.

### **Regional**

1. **Waechter, D.** (2015-2017). Four presentations. *“Five Key Roles: Focus on Clinical Staff”*. MedExpress Urgent Care. Canonsburg, PA.
2. **Waechter, D.** (2015). Six presentations. *“Introduction to Project Management Course”*. MedExpress Urgent Care. Canonsburg, PA.
3. **Waechter, D.** (2007). *“Project Management”*. Coordinated schedule and taught course at the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing Graduate Department. Nursing Informatics.
4. **Waechter, D.** (March 1996). *“Clinical Pathways: The Team Approach”*. Nursing Horizon’s. University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA.

### **Local**

1. **Waechter, D.** (2000-2014). *“EHR Implementation Planning”*. Presented to Physician and Clinical Services, Information Services Division. Multiple sessions.

2. **Waechter, D.** (Dec 1995, October, 1996). “*Pathophysiologic Changes After Cardiopulmonary Bypass*”. UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA.
3. **Waechter, D.** (Dec 1995, October, 1996). “*Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation*”. UPMC Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, PA.
4. **Waechter, D.** (August 1995). “*Pathophysiologic Changes After Cardiopulmonary Bypass*”. UPMC Passavant, Pittsburgh, PA.
5. **Waechter, D.** (October 1995). “*Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation*”. UPMC Passavant, Pittsburgh, PA.
6. **Waechter, D.** (August, 1991, March 1992). “*Cardiac Biopsies*”. Transplantation Workshop. UPMC Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, PA.
7. **Waechter, D.** (May 1989, March 1990, November 1990, March 1991, April 1991, January 1992, May 1992, December 1995). “*Cardiac Tamponade and Open Chest Resuscitation*”. UPMC Presbyterian, Pittsburgh, PA.
8. **Waechter, D.** (March 1989). “*Cardiac Tamponade*”. Critical Care Nursing Grand Rounds. Presbyterian University Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA.
9. **Waechter, D.** (1989). “*Sepsis Management in the ICU*”. Nursing Staff Presentations. Presbyterian University Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA

## TEACHING

### University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing

#### Teaching Fellow

Term	Semester, Year	Course Title and Number	Number of Students	Level	Didactic, Lab, Clinical, or Directed Study
	Fall, 2017	Foundations of Nursing Practice	8	BSN, Traditional	Clinical
	Spring, 2018	Foundations of Nursing Practice	40	BSN Accelerated	Lab
	Summer, 2018	Data Analytics for Quality Improvement Activities	0	University of Nazarbayev, Kazakhstan	Developed syllabus, curriculum and Topical outline for course

	<b>Fall, 2018</b>	<b>Medical Surgical Nursing Course</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>University of Nazarbayev, Kazakhstan</b>	<b>Developed curriculum for course.</b>
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### **Faculty – Associate Professor**

<b>Term</b>	<b>Semester, Year</b>	<b>Course Title and Number</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>Didactic, Lab, Clinical, or Directed Study</b>
2194	Spring, 2019	Transition Into Professional Practice NUR 1134 Section 1050	50	BSN, Traditional	Didactic
2194	Spring 2019	Transition Into Professional Practice NUR 1134 Section 1060	19	BSN Accelerated	Didactic
2194	Spring 2019	Transition Into Professional Practice NUR 1134C and NUR 1234C	69	BSN Traditional and Accelerated	Clinical oversight and coordination
2194	Spring 2019	Nursing Informatics NUR 0086	25	BSN Traditional and Accelerated	Didactic (secondary professor)
2197	Summer, 2019	Transition Into Professional Practice NUR 1134	42	BSN Traditional and Accelerated	Didactic
2197	Summer, 2019	Transition Into Professional Practice NUR 1134c and NUR 1234c	42	BSN Traditional and Accelerated	Clinical oversight and coordination
2197	Summer, 2019	Nursing Informatics	38	Accelerated	Didactic

### **SERVICE**

#### **University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing**

January 2019 - present      Nursing Informatics/School of Computer Science Workgoup

January 2019 – present      BSN Council

April 2019 – present      Faculty Practice Committee



May 2019 – present                      Taskforce for Curriculum development for Transitions Into Professional Practice

**UPMC**

May 2019 – present                      DCOI Committee – UPMC

May 2019- present                      System Informatics Council - UPMC

**Industry**

**MedExpress Urgent Care, Canonsburg, PA.**

9/2016-6/2017                      Clinical Leadership Group, Optum Corporation  
1/2015-6/2017                      Clinical Management Committee  
8/2015-6/2017                      Clinical Leadership Committee – Chairperson  
8/2015-6/2017                      Clinical Communications Forum – Chairperson  
1/2015-6/2017                      Electronic Medical Record Clinical Workgroup – Chairperson  
8/2016-6/2017                      Electronic Medical Record Leadership Group  
8/2015-6/2017                      Quality and Safety Committee  
8/2015-6/2017                      Clinical Education and Training

**UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA.**

1988-2014                      Physician Advisory Council – Leadership Team  
2012-2014                      Physician and Hospital Services Leadership Group  
2010-2014                      Physician Services Leadership  
1998-2014                      Numerous EMR Program Leadership committees  
2012-2014                      Information Technology Career Path Leadership Group  
2005-2014                      EpicCare User Groups – Chairperson  
2001-2005                      Cerner User Groups  
1996-1998                      Medication Use Task Force  
1996-1998                      Nursing Pharmacy Committee  
1995-1998                      APACHE Steering Committee  
1995-1998                      Medical-Surgical Supply Re-engineering Task Force  
1993-2000                      Clinical Information System Task Force  
1993-1998                      Patient Acuity Task Force  
1990-1993                      Standards of Care Committee