

KIRK D. ABBOTT

MBA, BSN, RN, CCN/M, CCHP

SUMMARY

Highly skilled, resourceful, and accomplished correctional healthcare executive leader with extensive experience in directing complex business and healthcare operations. 27+ years of correctional nursing expertise in jail, state, and federal correctional systems.

EDUCATION

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Summa Cum Laude
California Coast University | 2020

MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Magna Cum Laude California Coast University | 2017

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Magna Cum Laude University of Texas Medical Branch | 1994

SKILLS

| Professional

Business Development
Active Listening
Communication
Leadership & Management
Correctional Nursing

WORK EXPERIENCE

CHIEF NURSING OFFICER, SOUTHERN REGION

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care | 2018-Present

Sets the strategy and vision for nursing practice across the healthcare system to advance correctional nursing professional practice as well as safety, service, and quality patient care. Collaborates with nursing and operational leaders in designing, providing, and evaluating patient care and services; develops and manages the nursing and clinical operations portion of the budget; and exercises approval authority over all system nursing policies, procedures, and standards of care. Leads quality initiatives including setting the vision and strategy for clinical care services and system wide quality outcomes, performance improvement, and accreditation functions.

REGIONAL NURSE MANAGER

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2013-2018

DISTRICT PRACTICE MANAGER

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2012-2013

ANTARCTIC CLINICAL OPERATIONS MANAGER/DEPUTY DIRECTOR

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2011-2012

REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF NURSING

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2011

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT MANAGER

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2009-2011

NURSING PROGRAM MANAGER

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2006-2009

ASSISTANT NURSE MANAGER

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2000-2006

CONTACT

INFORMATION

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SKILLS

| Technical

Microsoft Word

Microsoft Excel

Microsoft PowerPoint

Taleo

Kronos

PeopleSoft

Tivoli

LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

RN - REGISTERED NURSE

Texas Board of Nursing Compact License / Issued: 05/1994

CCN/M - CERTIFIED CORRECTIONAL NURSE MANAGER

American Correctional Association

CCHP - CERTIFIED CORRECTIONAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

National Commission on Correctional Healthcare

BLS HEALTHCARE PROVIDER CPR

American Heart Association

INCIDENT INVESTIGATION / ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS CERTIFICATION

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CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

SENIOR ASSOCIATE - NURSING CONSULTANT

Correctional Healthcare Management / 2013-Present

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION (CDCR)

Participated in a multi-site comprehensive assessment of CDCR's mental health programs providing systems analysis and recommendations.

CALIFORNIA MULTI-COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT

Participated in conducting a feasibility assessment for several large county jails exploring the creation of a shared consolidated / centralized mental health facility.

PELICAN BAY PRISON, CALIFORNIA

Participated as part of the team with determining the effectiveness of the medical programs available to the inmates housed in the Special Housing Unit (SHU) and the larg-term effects of this care model on certain chronic diseases.

STATE OF GEORGIA

Participated in conducting unit site visits and comprehensive assessments of their healthcare spaces to assist the state in better understand how the existing facilities and their design / conditions support the mission of the Georgia Department of Corrections and the Georgia Department of Juvenile Detention.

WAKE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

Participated as part of a 5-member team that has assisted Wake County for the past 3 years. This ongoing project has included staffing study, policy, and procedure rewrite and the development of an offender health plan.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Served as the team leader of a 5-member team assisting the state with an assessment of and recommendation for improvement of the state's Juvenile Detention program.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Working with the San Diego County Sheriff's office and their outside counsel in defense of a class-action lawsuit, Dunsmore v. San Diego County Sheriff's Department, related to medical, dental, and mental health services delivered by their contracted healthcare provider.

ACHIEVEMENTS / HONORS

MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2015

SERVANT LEADER AWARD

University of Texas Medical Branch, Correctional Managed Care / 2013

HONORABLE DISCHARGE / COMMISSIONED OFFICER - LIEUTENANT

United States Navy Reserve / 2012