

LEADERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

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What is your role at SONIFI Health?

Clinical Education Specialist. I work with nurse educators & other facility clinicians to develop training plans & select educational content & then train bedside staff on our product.

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

Cooking, crafting & watching Investigation ID murder & mysteries programs.

Tell us a little about your experience working in healthcare.

I was an adult ICU nurse for over 20 years including open heart, heart & lung transplant & surgical & trauma ICU. I have also been a charge nurse, clinical educator, safety manager & taught critical care nursing courses. For the last six years, I have held corporate roles training bedside nurses on hospital equipment.

How do you think technology is changing nursing today & are there things technology doesn't change about nursing?

Technology has made some of the nursing jobs easier—delivering education, patient meal ordering, medication & vital sign charting etc. It also makes it a little more difficult as staff must continually learn new devices. Providing patients care at

vulnerable times in their lives is at the core of nursing. Holding a hand, attending to biopsychosocial needs & advocating for patients cannot be replicated by technology.

What are the most common questions & concerns you hear from clients?

How hard will an interactive system be for patients to navigate? And can we capture data from the system?

What is your favorite part of your job?

My favorite part is training the clinical staff. I like being in the hospital & hearing their stories. Some of our newest technology has come from their feedback such as digital care boards & the multidisciplinary rounding dashboard.

What do you see as some of the big or new challenges facing nurses & care providers today?

Nurses want to understand the “why.” Reimbursement regulations have created a wealth of incentives to improve healthcare, but it is not always well-communicated to staff. Keeping current with evidence-based practice & all the devices can be overwhelming. As new technologies roll out into the workflow, good communication from leadership is needed as to the value & impact of the changes.

SONIFI Health delivers interactive technology proven to increase patient satisfaction, health outcomes and hospital productivity.