

CURRICULUM VITAE
GAY SAMMONS RN, BSN, MSM, PhD.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science Registered Nurse American Sentinel University	2014
Doctorate of Occupational Education Oklahoma State University	2009
Master of Science in Management Southern Nazarene University	1999
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Hospital emphasis) Oklahoma City University	1997
Associate Degree Registered Nurse Oklahoma City Community College	1981

CREDENTIALS

Board Examination; Certification Board Perioperative Nursing	1985
Registered Nurse License, State of Oklahoma	1981
Registered Nurse License, State of California	2007

AFFILIATIONS

Omicron Tau Theta Honor Society	Parliamentarian	2006-Current
Delta Mu Delta Honor Society		1999-Current
Delta Pi Epsilon Honor Society		1999-Current
Oklahoma Organization of Nurse Executives		1999-2007
Association of Operating Room Nurses		1985-Current

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Ausburn, L.J., Ausburn, F.B., Cooper, J., Kroutter, P., & Sammons, G. (2007). Virtual reality in surgical technology education: A study in instructional theory and design. In Kotamragi, P. (Ed.) 2997 Career & Technical Education Research and Professional Development Conference, pp. 218-241. Article from OATE journal presented at the National CTE Research Conference (ACTER-OTT), Las Vegas, NV. (2007).

Ausburn, F.B., Ausburn, L.J., Cooper, J., Kroutter, P., & Sammons, G. (2007). Virtual reality

technology: Current status, applications and directions for educational research. OATE Journal: Oklahoma Association of Teacher Educators, 11, 7-14.

Sammons, G. (2006). Virtual Reality Applications in Training for in Healthcare Occupations, Virtual Reality Symposium, Oklahoma State University Phi Chapter of Omicron Tau Theta. (Best Presentation Award).

Ausburn, L.J., Ausburn, F.B., Cooper, J., Kroutter, P., & Sammons, G.(2009). A comparison of desktop virtual reality and still images in operating room training in surgical technology. Paper presented at meeting of the American Educational Research Association, New York, NY. (Finalist, Best Paper Award, Instructional Technology SIG).

Sammons, G. (2015). A Comparison of Job Satisfaction of Operating Room Nurses in Oklahoma Hospitals' with Intent to Stay or Leave a Job, to a Hospitals' Recruitment and Retention Practices. Electronic poster presentation, European Operating Room Nurses Association(EORNA), Rome, Italy.

Sammons, G. (2015). Creating Efficiencies in Surgery Using the Lean Process. Oral Presentation presented to the European Operating Room Nurses Association (EORNA). Rome, Italy.

Sammons, G. & Ritchey, W. (2015). Use of transversus abdominis plane (TAP) blocks for pain management in elderly surgical patients. Association of Operating Room Nurses (AORN). DOI: 10.1016/j.aorn.2015.09.003.

Sammons, G. (2017). Delirium: The most common occurring post-operative complication in patients age 65 and older. Oral Presentation presented to (EORNA) conference, Rhodes, Greece.

Sammons, G. (2018). Identification of Intrinsic Risk Factor Associated with Skin Changes at Life's End (Scale): An initial review. Oral Presentation of research results & primary investigator. Abstract (NUR2018/291014) to 4th annual International Conference on Nursing, May 2018. Athens Institute of Education and Research (AITNER). Athens, Greece. Co-authors; Jimenez, E., Chung, S., Caglia, L.

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Registered Nurse

- Research coordinator for investigational medications and medical devices from August 1995 to September 1997.

Participated in virtual reality research with the Oklahoma State University from 2005 to 2009 through the College of Education with studies in virtual reality training for medical occupations versus traditional training methods. This research served as a precursor to desk-top BLS and ACLS training for medical staff.

EXPERIENCE

Head Nurse Perioperative Services Veteran's Hospital Fresno, California

Nov. 2013-Current

- Head Nurse over Inpatient and Outpatient Operating Room.
- Most recent Quarterly Reports (Qtr.4, 2017 & Qtr.1, 2018) of VASQIP quality targets for the operating room, all are within the desired ranges. Using LEAN applications and daily vigilance of the Operating Room Schedule, daily and weekly huddles, all the 4 indicators were reversed and are leading in VASQIP indicators for our VISN.
- 2018 Primary Research Investigator “*Comparison of efficacy for pain control after Total Knee Arthroplasty and its effect on functional Independence Measures and Decreased Dependence on Narcotics*. Current study in approval process with the IRB.
- 2018 Oral presentation of research results; *Identification of Intrinsic Risk Factors Associated with Skin Changes at Life's End (SCALE): An Initial Review*. NUR2018/291014. To the Athens Institute for Education and Research Conference (AITNER). Athens, Greece.
- 2017 Oral presentation; *Delirium: The Most Common Post-Operative Complication for Patients Over 65 years of Age*. To the European Operating Room Nurses Association (EORNA) conference in Rhodes, Greece.
- 2016 Primary Investigator for the first Nurse-led Clinical Research at the Fresno VA *Identification of Intrinsic Risk Factors Associated with Skin Changes at Life's End (SCALE): An Initial Review*.
- 2015 *Association of Operating Room Nurses (AORN) Journal*, Authored publication, *Use of transversus abdominis plane (TAP) blocks for pain management in elderly surgical patients*. (Published 2016).
- 2015 Oral presentation; *Creating Efficiencies in Surgery Using the LEAN Process* EORNA, Rome, Italy. At the same conference presented an E-poster; *Comparing Job Satisfaction of Operating Room Nurses Compared to Recruitment and Retention Practices*.
- Opened new Total Joint program 6/2015.
- 2014 Volunteered for Certified Nurse Operating Room (CNOR) Job Analysis Task Force with Competency and Credentialing Institute developing National test questions, Denver Colorado.

Dir. of Outpt. Surgery & Development New Service Lines Oct. 2007-Nov. 2013 Adventist Medical Center Hanford California

- Opened new Cardiac program for Portland Adventist Hospital (2011)
- Five-Star Recipient Total Knee Replacement, 5 consecutive years-Health Grades (2010-

2014)

- Five-Star Recipient: Stomach, Colorectal and Bowel Obstruction Surgeries-HG (2010)
- Five-Star Recipient for Gynecologic Surgery, 3 consecutive years-Health Grades (2011-2013).
- Successful completion of surgical lean projects which included; centralized inventory management and case cart system, reduced patient waiting times in clinical admission process integrating use of Fast Pass, redesign of pre-op process to reduce patient cancellations.