JULIAN MERCER

TRAVEL NURSE

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Travel Registered Nurse with 7+ years of experience and nine 13-week contracts across telemetry, medical-surgical, and step-down units in three states. Holds a multistate Compact license and is oriented to a new EHR and unit in under a week. Known for filling staffing gaps without dropping safety or patient satisfaction.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Travel Registered Nurse, Telemetry Jun 2024 - Present
Aya Healthcare, Portland, OR

- Staff a 36-bed telemetry unit on 13-week contracts, completing hospital orientation and EHR training within the first three shifts.
- Extended a contract twice after unit leaders praised timely rhythm interpretation, and earned a rehire request from the director.
- Monitor and treat patients with atrial fibrillation and heart failure on 4:1 ratios, titrating drips under cardiology protocols.
- Completed all required unit competencies within the first week of each new assignment by working through the hospital's skills checklist before the first shift.

Travel Registered Nurse, Medical-Surgical Jan 2023 - May 2024
Cross Country Healthcare, Phoenix, AZ

- Completed three consecutive assignments at Phoenix-area hospitals and adapted to Epic, Cerner, and Meditech workflows.
- Managed 5 to 6 post-surgical and medical patients per shift, with HCAHPS nurse communication scores on the unit above 85% during those contracts.
- Trained float and agency nurses on bed-flow and unit expectations on request from the nurse manager.
- Provided relief coverage on a surge unit during respiratory season, picking up an extra 8 shifts without a missed handoff.
- Documented fall-risk interventions on every shift, supporting a fall-free quarter on the unit.

Travel Registered Nurse, Step-Down Mar 2021 - Dec 2022
AMN Healthcare, Denver, CO

- Worked two crisis-response contracts in step-down and COVID-19 units, caring for patients on high-flow oxygen and BiPAP.
- Covered night-shift charge duties on request for 20+ shifts across the contract.
- Maintained a portable binder of competencies and licenses, cutting onboarding paperwork time at each new facility.

Staff Registered Nurse, Medical-Surgical Jul 2019 - Feb 2021
Providence St. Vincent Medical Center, Portland, OR

- Provided care on a 30-bed surgical unit after orthopedic and general surgery cases, managing PCA pumps and wound drains.
- Joined the unit's practice council and helped redesign the bedside shift report checklist.
- Completed a 6-month residency with consistent preceptor feedback and moved to independent assignments on schedule.

CORE SKILLS

Rapid onboarding | Telemetry interpretation | Med-surg care | Epic, Cerner, Meditech | Step-down monitoring | Pain management | Bedside shift report | IV therapy | Fall prevention | Patient education | Float and surge staffing | Compact licensure management | Handoff communication

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

CERTIFICATIONS

Registered Nurse (RN), Arizona multistate license under the Nurse Licensure Compact, and Oregon RN license | Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification (RN-BC), ANCC | ACLS and BLS, American Heart Association