

Karen Zervopoulos

Experience

Staff Nurse GI Endoscopy

April 2013-present

Surgicare of Central NJ, Watchung, NJ

Per diem Staff Nurse

January 2013 to April 2013

May Street Surgical Center, Edison, NJ

Staff Nurse Medical Surgical Unit

October 2012-to January 2013

Overlook Medical Center, Summit, NJ

Per diem Endoscopy Technician

2009 to October 2012

Overlook Medical Center, Summit, NJ

- Hands on OR Endoscopy Technician, experienced with Olympus Equipment.
- Nursing Externship in Emergency department completed summer 2011

Lead Endoscopy Technician

2000 to October 2012

Digestive Healthcare / Central Jersey Ambulatory
Surgical Center, Hillsborough, NJ

- Hired as a Medical Assistant and trained in GI care of office patients/ visits and minor office procedures such as sigmoidoscopy.
- Began training as an Endoscopy Technician December 2000.
- Work consisted of assisting Doctors in the OR at the Surgical Center with EGD and Colonoscopy procedures.
- Experienced with Cold Biopsy, Hot Biopsy, Snare Polypectomy, TTS Balloon Dilatation, Sclerotherapy Injection, Bravo testing etc..
- Trained in use of Erbe Cautery units.
- Position also consisted of reprocessing of endoscopes and use of AER. Hands on experience with Pentax equipment.
- Cross trained in PACU recovery and Pre-Op.
- Care of Colonoscopes/Endoscopes and ordering of Loaner equipment and shipment of scope repairs.
- Trained in Esophageal Manometry, Anal Rectal Manometry, and biofeedback.
- Drug Study Coordinator for Humira medication

2006 to August 2007

Hunterdon Medical Center

- Per Diem Sterile Processing Technician

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Education

- **Raritan Valley Community College**, Somerville, NJ 08876: Associate Degree in Applied Science, Nursing –May 2012.
- **NJ Board of Nursing Licensed RN** -2012
- **Certified Gastroenterology Registered Nurse (CGRN)** -2014
- **Certified Colon Hydrotherapist** -2013
- **Certified Flexible Endoscope Reprocessor**, CBSPD-2008, recertification-2013
- **Certified Sterile Processing and Distribution Technician**, CBSPD - 2006, recertification - 2011, 2016
- **Saint Barnabas Healthcare Systems** program for preparation for sterile processing certification exam-*June 2006-September 2006.*
- **BLS Certified**, since 2004, **ACLS Certified**, since 2013
- **Certified Medical Assistant (CMA)**, June 2000, recertification - 2011
- **Medical Careers Training Center**, October 1999-June 2000
- **Seton Hall University**, September 1980-May 1983, Education Major, degree uncompleted,
- **Hillsborough High School**, September 1976 –June 1980, Graduate 1980

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Activities & Committees

- Active SGNA (Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates) member both regionally and nationally *since 2007*
- SGNA Education Committee Member -2015-present (National Committee)
- SGNA Regional Officer CNJSGNA Secretary-2013-2014 *term*
- SGNA Train the Trainer Instructor, 2014-present (National)
- SGNA Healthcare Policy Committee Member - 2014 (National Committee)
- SGNA Awards Committee Member -2013 (National Committee)
- SGNA Infection Prevention Work Group Committee Chair - 2013-present (National Committee)
- SGNA Infection Prevention Task Force Committee Member 2012-2013 (National Committee)
- Bi Weekly Newsletter writer for various topics for SGNA Champion Program -2013-present
- SGNA LPN Task Force Committee Member-2010(National Committee)
- SGNA Website Committee Member-2010(National Committee)
- Chosen to present two associate topics of discussion at SGNA Annual Course in *Orlando, Florida and Indianapolis, Indiana-2010-2011*
- Certification Board of Sterile Processing and Distribution, Voting Board Member *Flexible Endoscope Reprocessor Representative, appointed May 2009 –present*