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Period 6

Neonatal Nursing

“ Neonatal Nurses: Warriors of love who fight alongside our babies leading the battles to keep babies alive.”-AintNoRollerCoster.com

Warriors are able to face life and death without crumbling down. Neonatal Nurse are able to face the saddest fates of infants without crumpling down. They do whatever is in their power to fight it. Thus proving that Neonatal Nurse are warriors fighting for the great good of infants. A Warrior will fight to the end, to fulfill their purpose. Neonatal nurse are determined to fight for the life of infants, to fulfill their purpose. Neonatal Nurse’s weapons of choice are: Education, Experience, Skill, responsibility. The benefits of becoming a neonatal nurse are outweighed by the battles they must face.

A neonatal nurse work with newborns. They are to check virals, their progress if the newborn is sick. Their job varieties. According to nann.org, “works with newborn infants born with a variety of problems ranging from prematurity, birth defects, infection, cardiac, malformation, and surgical problems.” Neonatal nurses are warriors, they assist the job that some people fear, due to the idea of a human’s life being in their hands. Some people, may fear it, yet a person who take the job, is calmed with the reason of helping humans.

One must train first, like any other warrior, to fight. One must become a registered nurse first. Training for Battle is equivalent to the education of a Neonatal Nurse. Process of training is long, yet to save the life of a precious, delicate, little being, it is worth it. According to “allnursingschools.com”, if a person enters community college they are able to receive their (RN) registered nurse license. If a person goes to a university, they are able to receive (BSN) registered nurse, in 4 years. A person who goes to community college is able to get their (BSN) if they transfer to a (BSN) program , after receiving their (RN). (BSN) are titled as a professional level of nurse, they also have better job opportunities than nurses with (RN). After overcoming the (BSM) program, one must take the NCLEX-RN exam. Accessing exam, One is able to receive the proud title of a registered nurse.

As one achieves becoming a Registered Nurse, the real work starts. One must learn how to care for infants. They must continue with their education, and find experience in their new jobs. According to “allnursingschools.com”, “You must be certified in Neonatal Resuscitation and/or Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing.” Titles come from experience. One must have at least two years working with babies. They are also required to go back and get “Master Of Science in Nursing Degree”. Training is a long process, Yet becoming a neonatal Nurse, one is able to view life with a different perspective.

One comes to value the little moments a child has. While caring for infants, one comes to see how delicate a life is. It is lovely to view how one’s life started. One gets to experience the How it begins,

with put a movement or a cry. It is lovely to view a flower blossoming, It is lovely to view an angel spreading its wings and learning how to fly.. The process is long, yet with skill, one is able to be enough to care for an infant.

Patience, focus, efficient communication skills are but the few requirements. One special requirement is high end patience. For example, when a baby is crying one must be able to tolerate cries. In order to be able to tolerate cries, one must have patience. A baby's can be painful to hear, yet the beauty of neonatal nurse is their focus. They are able to block out their cries, to get the work done. One must be able to communicate to parents, tell them if something is wrong, keep their hopes up, find a solution.

Neonatal nurse do have high end responsibilities, a person is built for this line of work, do not view this as a responsibility, more like a privilege. According to (study.com), "NICU RNs communicate with and educate parents on day-to-day operations as well as home-care procedures." They help parents deal with the difficulties of an infant with health problems. They monitor a baby's progress. Medications are to watched. Neonatal nurses are also a figure of encouragement for parents, when a problem with the child's health is presented, one must be able to explain and try keeping parents hopes up, "This parental support can range from emotional encouragement to advising parents on how to take care of an infant when they return home." The job is stressful, yet isn't everything in life stressful? People hold their life's by a thread, life is full of death threats. Warriors do not fear death, they try to prevent death. Nurses knowledge this fact, they have stepped up to aid. They acknowledge the stress, yet they know the perks. A person is built for this line of work, do not view this as a responsibility, more like a privilege.

One of the benefits of becoming a neonatal nurse is the working hours. Nurses work three times a week. Nurses and their families are provided with health insurance. One is awarded with with the opportunities to further their careers. According to "allnursingschools.com"example, They have the opportunity to become unit manger or head nurse, if they decide to further their career. According to (study.com), the benefit of Pursuing the nurse career is high due to the growth of jobs, "Faster-than-average job growth of 16% is expected for registered nurses in general from 2014-2024", Another benefit of being a neonatal nurse, the ability to be compassion. To put themselves in the parents shoes, and help them as much as they are able to. One will become more humane, for the reason they are so close to life and death. One is able to learn, life's but a gift and not to be taken for granted.

The career of a neonatal is like a battlefield. There may be some loses, yet standing to fight is all that counts. Standing with infants, who are sick , who need care, support, and some hope, is all that counts. Helping newborns, gives a light to the being. Helping newborns, gives a being different perspective. Helping newborns, is not useless if the odds are not in their favor.

Biography

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