
Lauren Williamston Kasper

Nurse Practitioner | Education | Research

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Summary: Experienced nurse practitioner, educator, and researcher dedicated to delivering compassionate, equitable care, advancing the nursing profession, and promoting social justice

EDUCATION

Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA | PhD - Nursing | In Progress – Coursework

Emory University, Atlanta, GA | BSN, MSN | MAY 2011 - DEC 2013 | Woodruff Scholar
Adult Nurse Practitioner, Women's Health Nurse Practitioner

College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN | BA | AUG 2002 - MAY 2006 | Summa Cum Laude
Mathematics, Secondary Education

LICENSURE & CERTIFICATIONS

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse | Georgia Board of Nursing | Expires JAN 2028
Registered Nurse | Issued SEP 2012 | License # RN226057

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse | Florida Board of Nursing | Expires APR 2027
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse | Issued AUG 2025 | License # APRN11041412

Adult Nurse Practitioner | American Academy of Nurse Practitioners | Expires JUN 2029

Women's Health Nurse Practitioner | National Certification Corporation | Expires MAR 2029

CLINICAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Grady Health System, Atlanta, GA

Nurse Practitioner - Virtual on Demand NOV 2022 - PRESENT

- Launched new virtual convenience care program for ambulatory program requiring development of protocols and specialized workflows aimed at expanding access to underserved populations
- Provide virtual primary/urgent medical care to a complex, vulnerable patient population

Registered Nurse - PRN Intermediate Care NOV 2021 - MAY 2022

- Provided bedside nursing care to patients in a step-down critical care environment

Nurse Practitioner - Emergency Hemodialysis APRIL 2015 - AUG 2020

- Admit, write dialysis orders, supervise treatment, and discharge 25+ emergency hemodialysis patients per day
- Manage complex acuity patients in a low resource, majority Spanish-speaking population

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- Began a high risk renal clinic for high needs, low resource CKD/AKI/ESRD patients (*volunteer time*)

Galileo Medical, Atlanta, GA

Nurse Practitioner - Hybrid Primary Care

DEC 2024 - JAN 2026

- First provider hired to establish Georgia primary care clinic with an innovative, existing virtual Primary Care service platform as well as a single-provider clinic for in-person care

Northside Maternidad, Norcross, GA - OB/GYN Nurse Practitioner

NOV 2019 - JUN 2020

- Clinic provider for routine and problem OB/GYN visits in a majority Spanish-speaking, Medicaid or self-pay patient population
- Provided specialized gynecological care including IUD insertions and removals, biopsies

Good Samaritan Health Center, Atlanta, GA - Nurse Practitioner-Primary Care

AUG 2017 - JAN 2020

- Provide primary care to high-risk adult patients (low-income, uninsured, homeless)
- Provide specialized GYN care, including training providers to insert and manage IUDs

Summit Medical Associates, Atlanta, GA -On-Call Nurse Practitioner-OB/GYN

AUG 2016 - FEB 2019

- Triage and provide care over the phone for patients regarding pre/post-op, contraceptive, and common OB/GYN complaints
- Submit timely and thorough documentation of all interactions with patients

Harbin Clinic, Cartersville & Calhoun, GA - Nurse Practitioner-Nephrology

SEPT 2014 - APRIL 2015

- Outpatient: Diagnosed and managed a variety of renal disorders and chronic disease
- Dialysis: Performed weekly rounds to supervise the care of dialysis patients
- Inpatient/ICU: Diagnosed and managed acute renal/electrolyte disorders for 20+ patients

LEADERSHIP WORK EXPERIENCE

Northside Hospital, Atlanta, GA

Service Excellence Coach

JUL 2023 - PRESENT

- Acted as internal consultant to improve patient experience and hospital operations within multiple service lines (inpatient, ED, women's services) through the lens of nursing
- Used statistical analysis of PX data from multiple databases to develop and implement targeted interventions to improve patient satisfaction/survey scores as well as provide education and guidance to hospital leaders on score interpretation and goal setting
- Trained employees and leaders in various patient experience/nursing care best practices

Grady Health System, Atlanta, GA

Patient Experience Coach RN

JUN 2020 - DEC 2022

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- Developed and implemented special projects related to patient experience and improving staff morale during COVID-19 pandemic (visitation policies, staff support sessions, family communication, rewards and recognition programs)
 - Nominated in 2018 to serve on the Grady Ethics Consult Committee; cover ethics call PRN
 - Award | 2020 Silver Award for complex patient case assistance
 - Award | 2021 Gold Award for assisting Employee Wellness during Dec 2021 surge

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Emory University, Atlanta, GA - *Adjunct Instructor*

APRIL 2015 - PRESENT

Co-instructor/lecturer for Master's in Nursing-level as well as Women's Health and Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP students

- NRSG 574: Behavioral and Mental Health Nursing
 - Course for second-degree RN-level behavioral and mental health nursing with focus on assessment, treatment, and therapeutic communication across diverse care settings
- NRSG 480/590/609: Public Health Clinical Immersion
 - Designed and led an "immersion" course for nursing students beginning in 2017, funded 2018-2020, focusing on underserved communities in urban Atlanta
 - Led immersion course for Substance/Opioid Use Disorder in rural setting exploring the experience and available resources for SUD/OD patients
- Clinical preceptor and site visitor at several sites throughout the metro Atlanta area
- Funded for three Community-Engaged Learning grants

Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA - *Adjunct Instructor*

AUG 2019 - MAY 2020

- NRSG 7500 | Advanced Health Assessment: Co-instructor to NP students

Peace Corps, South Africa - *School and Community Resources Volunteer*

JUL 2009 - SEPT 2010

- Planned and implemented lessons for 5th and 6th grade students in health, English, and math in a rural, very low resource school
- Wrote and received full funding for two grants for student enrichment camps

The Grove School | Arroyo Valley High School, Redlands, CA - *Math Teacher*

AUG 2006 - JUN 2008

- Teacher for junior high and high school math, science and elective courses
- Directed three student extracurricular theater plays

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Grady Health System, Atlanta, GA

APRIL 2015 - PRESENT

- Publications:
 - The Impact of “Emergency Only” Hemodialysis on Hospital Cost and Resource Utilization, *Western Journal of Emergency Medicine*, 24(2), 206–209. 2023. <https://doi.org/10.5811/westjem.2022.11.583602022>
 - Using Occupational Histories to Assess Heat Exposure in Undocumented Workers Receiving Emergent Renal Dialysis in Georgia, *Workplace health & safety*, 2022; 70(5), 251–258. <https://doi.org/10.1177/21650799211060695>
 - Demographics, and Morbidity and Mortality in an Urban Safety-Net Undocumented ESRD Population Receiving Emergency-only Hemodialysis, *Poster- NKF Spring Clinical Meetings, March 2020*.
- Presentations:
 - Healthcare Ethics Consortium, Apr. 2022, *Seeing the Unseen: Building Trust in the Midst of Mistrust and Uncertainty*
 - Global Service Learning Summit, Nov. 2019, *Global is Local: Experiences Developing and Sustaining Mutually Beneficial Local and Regional Partnerships at the Emory University School of Nursing*
 - Emory Medical School IDEAL, Mar. 2019, *Kidney Care for Undocumented Immigrants: Ethics and Policy*
 - Grady Ethics Committee, Sept. 2018, *Dialysis in the Undocumented*

Atlanta VA Medical Center, Atlanta, GA - Research Assistant - Military Sexual Trauma

AUG 2012 - MAR 2014

- Screened patients for eligibility into studies; entered and analyzed data using SPSS
- **Award** | Emory Nursing Research: Original poster “*Posttraumatic Cognitions in Veterans with PTSD and MST*”

American Association of Colleges of Nursing Student Policy Summit, Washington, DC

MAR 2011

- Conference for undergraduate and graduate nursing to discuss the policy process, current federal legislation, and nursing’s role in professional and patient advocacy
- Attended Nursing Lobby Day and met with Georgia US Representatives and Senators to lobby for nursing policy

EngenderHealth, New York, NY - Intern - Fistula Care

JAN 2009 - MAR 2009

- Data entry for a large global study of vaginal fistula and surgical outcomes for six countries
- Created country benchmark reports for each of the twelve country sites

VOLUNTEER & ADVOCACY EXPERIENCE

Coalition for Responsible Kidney Care, Atlanta, GA - Founder/Chair

JAN 2016 - PRESENT

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- Independent advocacy group made up of providers, students, healthcare stakeholders and community members working towards improving the care of uninsured hemodialysis patients
 - Working with healthcare institutions, policy experts on state and national levels (GPBI, NKF), and non-profit organizations to plan and execute a strategy to modify state Medicaid guidelines
 - **Press I Pratt, T.** (Aug, 2022). Doctors push state to cover dialysis for undocumented immigrants. *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*

Georgia Nurses Association Legislative Institute, Atlanta, GA - 2025 Cohort

JAN 2025 - PRESENT

- Participating in a six-month advocacy program that trains nurses in legislative processes, grassroots efforts, and relationship-building with elected officials to advocate for healthcare and nursing priorities

Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement, Atlanta, GA - Medical Resource Volunteer

JAN 2011 - JAN 2021

- Provide maternal health workshops, assist with healthcare-related refugee client issues
- Completed a two-year youth-mentoring program
- Clothing and furniture drives, annual Christmas gift program

Clarkston Community Health Center, Atlanta, GA - Volunteer Nurse Practitioner

JAN 2017 - JAN 2020

- Provide primary as well as specialized women's health care and treatment to refugee and low-income women in a free clinic setting