Curriculum Vitae

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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- 47 years of experience as a Licensed Registered Nurse, 32 years as a charge nurse in acute care hospitals in the critical care departments, including the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), Emergency Room (ER), Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU), as well as medical-surgical floors.
- 15 years as a Life Care Planner and Medical Bill Reviewer with Certified Life Care Planner (CLCP) and Certified Nurse Life Care Planner (CNLCP) designations.
- Retained as an expert in Life Care Planning and Past Medical Bill Reviews in 39 states and the District of Columbia.
- Testified over 300 times in Court Proceedings in 19 states and the District of Columbia.
- Provided trial testimony at Federal Court in Illinois, New Mexico and Oregon, and State Court in Arkansas, California, Georgia, Hawaii, Iowa, Maine, Nevada, New Mexico, Ohio, Utah and Tribal Court in California.

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

2015 Certified Nurse Life Care Planner (CNLCP) #4150834
2012 Certified Life Care Planner (CLCP) #1159
2012 RN License Nevada #RN71479
1986 RN License California #411737

EDUCATION

2011 Life Care Planning Course, Kelynco University, Draper, Utah, USA
1988 Critical Care Nursing Course, Kuakini Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
1979 Nursing Diploma, Royal Jubilee School of Nursing, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

COMMITTEES & AWARDS

2017 – present Consensus and Majority Statement Task Group, International Association of Rehabilitation Professions - Life Care Planning
2013 – 2024 Journal Committee Member, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners
2022 Distinguished Service Award, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners
1979 Valedictorian, Nursing Diploma, Royal Jubilee School of Nursing

PUBLICATIONS

1. Cook, D. L. (2023) "Managing Mental Health Medical Codes" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners*. Summer 2023, vol. XXIII NO. 3- pp. 18-24.

2. Cook, D. L. (2023) "How to Craft a Surgical Letter" *Healthcare Business Monthly.* American Academy of Professional Coders. May 2023, pp.40 - 42.

3. Cook, D. L. (2023) "Crafting Surgical Letters" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Winter 2023, vol. XXIII NO. 1: pp. 21-24.

4. Cook, D. L. (2023) "Coder's Specialty Guide for Pain Management Review" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Winter 2023, vol. XXIII NO. 1: pp. 28-29.

5. Cook, D. L. (2022) "What to Bring to a Deposition" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Summer 2022, vol. XXII NO. 2: pp. 26-29.

6. Cook, D. L. (2021) "Cracking the Code for Therapy Goods and Services" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Winter 2021, vol. XXI NO. 1: pp. 10-18.

7. Cook, D. L. (2020) "Replacement Intervals in Life Care Planning" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Fall 2020, vol. XX NO. 4: pp. 17-20.

8. Cook, D. L. (2020) "It's All About the Numbers" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Fall 2020, vol. XX NO. 4: pp. 12-15.

9. Cook, D. L. (2020) "Required Elements for Nurse Life Care Planning Testimony" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Summer 2020, vol. XX NO. 3: pp. 18-21.

10. Cook, D. L. (2017) "Platelet-Rich-Plasma: Life Care Planning Considerations." *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Fall 2017, vol. XVII NO. 3: pp. 28-31.

11. Cook, D. L. (2016) "ASPMN Core Curriculum for Pain Management Nursing" Book Review. *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Spring 2016, vol. XVI NO. 1: p. 12.

12. Cook, D. L. (2015) "The Work of Business, Expert Witness Development and Training." *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Fall 2015, vol. XV NO. 3: p. 884 - 885.

13. Cook, D. L. (2015) "The Work of Business, Can You Hear Me Now?" *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planners.* Summer 2015, vol. XV NO. 2: p. 812.

14. Cook, D. L. (2013) "Back and Neck Injuries", "Hand and Wrist Injuries" and "Knee Injuries." *Anatomy and Physiology 101 for Attorneys.* Eau Claire, WI: National Business Institute, publisher. pp. 33-63, 93-148.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Presenter, "Rebuttals and Life Care Planning" International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, Fall Forum and IALCP Symposium, September 18, 2025. Orlando, Florida.

2. Presenter, "Determining the Value of Past Gratuitous Care" American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Webinar, March 13, 2024.

3. Presenter, "Determining the Value of Past Gratuitous and Purchased Goods and Services" International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, Annual Conference, August 18, 2023. Virtual conference, USA.

4. Presenter, "Crafting Surgical Letters and Cost Estimates" HealthCon 2023, American Academy of Professional Coders, May 22, 2023. Nashville, Tennessee.

5. Presenter, "Rebuttals and Life Care Plans" American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Annual Conference, March 12, 2023. Memphis, Tennessee.

6. Presenter, "Life Care Planners and Economists, Working Better Together" American Rehabilitation Economics Association, Annual Conference, May 28, 2022. Chicago, Illinois.

7. Presenter, "Past Medical Bill Reviews for the Nurse Life Care Planner" American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Annual Conference, March 12, 2022. Virtual conference, USA.

8. Presenter, "Spinal Cord Stimulators." American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, January 12, 2022, webinar, USA.

9. Presenter, "The Five Most Common Problems with Past Medical Bills." International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, Annual Conference, November 13, 2021. Virtual conference, USA.

10. Presenter, "Pain Management Procedures and Medical Coding." American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Fall Conference, November 4, 2021. Virtual conference, USA.

11. Presenter, "Testifying as an Expert in Medical Coding, Billing or Auditing." HealthCon 2020, American Academy of Professional Coders, April 6, 2020. Virtual National Conference, USA.

12. Presenter, "Becoming an Expert Witness Nurse – Turn Your Clinical Experience into a Side Job." National Nurses in Business Association National Educational Conference, September 28, 2019. Las Vegas, Nevada.

13. Presenter, "Analyzing Past Medical Bills: Do you know what you need to know?" American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants, April 4, 2019. Louisville, Kentucky.

14. Presenter, "Adding Past Medical Bill Reviews to Your Practice: A Natural Addition to Life Care Planning." International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, October 27, 2018. Charlotte, North Carolina.

15. Presenter, "Medical Bill Reviews, a Primer for Law Offices." Las Vegas Valley Paralegal Association, January 16, 2018. Las Vegas, Nevada.

16. Presenter, "Transplantation Costs and Litigation, Valuing the Lifetime Cost of Organ Transplantation." International Transplantation Nurse Society annual conference, June 26, 2017. Lake Buena Vista, Florida.

17. Presenter, "Complex Regional Pain Syndrome and Nurse Life Care Planning." American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, February 7, 2016. San Antonio, Texas.

18. Presenter, "How to Select a Life Care Planning Expert Witness." Las Vegas Valley Paralegal Association, October 15, 2015. Las Vegas, Nevada.

19. Presenter, "Complex Regional Pain Syndrome and Pain Management." American Society of Pain Management Nursing. September 19, 2015, Atlanta, Georgia.

20. Presenter, "Complex Regional Pain Syndrome and Life Care Planning." Executive Forum for Lifetime Nurse Care Planners, May 3, 2015. Honolulu, Hawaii.

21. Presenter, "Complex Regional Pain Syndrome for Legal Nurse Consultants." American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants, April 18, 2015. Indianapolis, Indiana.

CONFERENCES

- International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals, Fall Forum and IALCP Symposium, 2017, 2022, 2025.
- American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Fall Conference, 2021 – 2024.
- American Rehabilitation Economics Association, Annual Conference, 2017, 2022, 2023.
- HealthCon, American Academy of Professional Coders, 2020, 2023.
- American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, Annual Conference; 2012-2014, 2016, 2018, 2021, 2022.
- American Academy of Physician Life Care Planners, Annual Assembly; 2018, 2022.
- International Symposium on Life Care Planning; 2014, 2018, 2021.
- American Association of Professional Coders, AuditCon, 2021.

- Legal Nurse Consulting Virtual Conference: LNC Success, 2021.
- National Nurses in Business Association, National Conference; 2017 - 2019.
- The American Association of Nurse Attorneys, Annual Meeting and Educational Conference; 2018.
- Juris Education Resource Knowledge Legal Nurse Consulting, Annual Conference; 2017.
- International Transplant Nurse Society, Annual Symposium; 2017.
- Lifetime Nurse Care Planners, Executive Forum; 2012, 2013, 2015 - 2017.
- Bionics and Robotic, Limb Trauma, Biom; 2015
- American Society of Pain Management Nursing, Annual Conference; 2015.
- American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants, Annual Forum; 2015.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2018-present	American Association of Professional Coders (AAPC)
2012-present	American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners (AANLCP)
2012-present	American Nurses Association (ANA)
2012-present	International Association of Rehab Professionals (IARP)
2012-present	Nevada Nurses Association (NNA)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2011–present	Dawn Cook Consulting LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA. Nurse Life Care Planner and Medical Bill Reviewer.
2003–2011	Mammoth Hospital, Mammoth Lakes, California, USA. Charge Nurse PACU.
1992-2003	Nanaimo Regional General Hospital, Nanaimo, BC, Canada. ICU/ER.
1991-1995	Yuma Regional Medical Center, Yuma, Arizona, USA. ICU/CCU.
1987-1990	Kuakini Medical Center, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA. Charge Nurse in ICU & CCU.
1983-1986	Holy Family Hospital, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada. Charge Nurse ICU.
1982-1986	Pineland Home Care, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada. Home Care Nurse.
1982-1986	Victoria General Hospital, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Canada. Charge Nurse.
1982	Ladysmith General Hospital, Ladysmith, BC, Canada. Medical/surgical.
1979-1981	Cowichan District General Hospital, Duncan, BC, Canada. Charge Nurse ICU.
1979	Powell River General Hospital, Powell River, BC, Canada. Charge Nurse ICU.