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AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Life Care Plan Expert Witness, Medical Cost Projections, Medical Bill Reviews, Medical Record Review, Case Analysis, Negligence Reviews, Nurse Case Strategist, Medical Research, Medicare Set-aside Allocation Expert, Catastrophic Case Management, Medical Coding and Billing.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS and CREDENTIALING:

Registered Nurse, State of Arizona: 2005 - present
Arizona State Board of Nursing

Registered Professional Nurse, State of Ohio: 1992 – 2023
Ohio State Board of Nursing

Registered Professional Nurse, State of Pennsylvania (past): 1989-1994
Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing

Certified Medicare Set-aside Consultant (MSCC), 2012 - Present

Certified Nurse Life Care Planner, Certificate Number: 1180919, 2018-Present

Long Term Care: Minimum Data Set Competency Certification

Certified Breath Alcohol Technician (prior)

Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) (prior)

EDUCATION:

Kelynco (Home Study)
Draper, Utah

Life Care Planning (120 CEUs)
2016

University of Florida (Online)
Gainesville, Florida

Medicare Set-Aside Program (120 CEUs)
2012

Vickie Milazzo Institute
Home Study and Chicago, IL

Certified Legal Nurse Consultant
2005

Jacksonville University (Online)
Jacksonville, Florida

Bachelor Degree of Science in Nursing
2004

Nursing Continuing Education
(Minimum of 24 CEUs bi-annual for Ohio Licensure)

1992- Present

Community College of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Associates of Applied Science; Registered Nurse
1987-1989

US Navy Hospital Corps School
Great Lakes, Illinois

Sep – Dec 1985

Brigham Young University
Provo, Utah

1983 - 1985; Liberal Arts

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Legal Nurse Consultant (1997 – present); Medicare Set-Aside Allocator (2012 - present); Nurse Life Care Plan Expert (2016 - present)

Includes testifying nurse expert services and non-testifying consulting services. Testifying nurse expert witness regarding nursing standards of care (long term care, elder abuse and hospital environments) and Nurse Life Care Plan Expert in state and federal court. Consulting services include medical coding and billing services for medical practitioners.

I have prepared over 250 Medicare Set-aside allocations that have been presented to and approved by Medicare for workers' compensation settlements. I am credentialed as a Medicare Set-aside Certified Consultant through the International Commission on Health Care Certification ("IHCC"). This certification is designed to identify professionals who have achieved specific pre-approved training in Medicare set-aside trust arrangements and have demonstrated a breadth of knowledge regarding the development and application of the Medicare set-aside trust arrangement process. This credential is designed to express to the consumer that the person holding the MSCC credential has agreed to come under the scrutiny of a certifying review board ("IHCC") to be peer reviewed, and to adhere to a set of standards governing ethics and professional behaviors.¹

I have deposition and trial experience. My duties have included conference with attorneys, MDs. and other medical, vocational and life care planning experts; medical cost projections; research UCR (usual customary and reasonable fees) for medical services and surgical procedures; summarize M.D. and other expert opinions in draft form for expert opinion disclosure; research nursing standards of care and fees for durable medical equipment; assistance with deposition preparation and attend depositions; summary of depositions; negligence reviews; prepare medical chronologies; prepare medical summaries; prepare timeline of events for demonstrative evidence; prepare summary portion of Complaints and Initial Disclosure Statements; prepare settlement demand letters; organize and prepare binders for attorney use and disclosure; assist other Certified Life Care Planners with cost research, medical summaries and future care projections; review Medicare Set-aside Allocations and Life Care Plans for rebuttal/critique; personal injury file reviews for in-house Case Managers and Claims Examiners; consulting for a private home health care vendor in Arizona regarding nursing care, home visits, plans of care, quality assurance and Medicare compliance; consulting and medical billing for a medical provider (2021-2023); attend IMEs; serve as fact witness at trial; and assist with procurement of experts to address standard of care and causation.

<u>Vocational Diagnostics, Inc.</u> Phoenix, Arizona	Nurse Consultant	2010 - 2011 2016 - 2017
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Life Care Plan research, analysis of medical records and medical cost projections; prepare chronologies and case summaries; medical research; prepare summaries of witness and expert depositions, medical bill reviews and medical cost projections; research charges and fees; draft letters to providers; and consult with other expert witnesses assigned to the case.

<u>Protocols/NuQuest</u> Full time remote position	Medicare Set-Aside Allocator	2015
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<u>Full Time Nurse Consultant/Independent Contractor</u> Tempe, Arizona	In-House Defense Firm	2014 – 2015
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<u>General Dynamics</u> Phoenix, Arizona	Case Manager/ADA Compliance OSHA Compliance/FMLA	2013
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¹ International Commission on Health Care Certification. "Medicare Set-aside Certified Consultant" (MSCC) [Medicare Set-aside Certified Consultant™ \(MSCC™\) \(ichcc.org\)](http://www.ichcc.org) Date accessed: October 15, 2021.

<u>Scottsdale Healthcare (92nd & Shea)</u> Scottsdale, Arizona	Medical/Surgical Float Pool	2006 – 2007
<u>Medical Staffing Network</u> Ohio and Arizona	Per Diem Nurse, Medical/Surgical Gastric Bypass & Plastic Surgery	2005
<u>Adams Lane Care Center</u> (A Zandex Healthcare Facility) Zanesville, Ohio	Director of Nursing (DON) Weekly case management meetings for catastrophic and acute injuries	2002 - 2004
<u>Occupational Medicine Center of Muskingum County/Medical Testing Group (businesses merged)</u> Zanesville, Ohio	Director of Nursing/Owner Acute work place injury management	1999 - 2005
<u>Zandex Healthcare</u> Zanesville, Ohio	Corporate Compliance Officer for a chain of seven nursing homes (dual certification)	1995 - 1997
<u>Adams Lane Care Center</u> (A Zandex Healthcare Facility)	Manager of Skilled Care/Assistant DON Skilled Services/case management oversight	1993 -1995
<u>JSA (Occupational Health Contractor)</u>	Occupational Health Nurse at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard	1992 - 1993
<u>Hospital Environment(s)</u> Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Wynnewood, Pennsylvania	Per Diem Nurse, Medical/Surgical/Oncology Pediatrics, Orthopedics	1989 - 1992 1990 - 1991
<u>United States Navy (active and reserve)</u>	Hospital Corpsman	1985 - 1991

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS:

- American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners
 - Immediate Past-President and Board Member, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners (January 1, 2024 - present)
 - President and Board Member, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners (April 2, 2023 – December 31, 2023)
 - President-Elect and Board Member, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners (November 2022 - April 1, 2023)
 - Chair, Outreach Committee, American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners (November 2022- April 2023)
 - Committee Member, Journal of Nurse Life Care Planning (March 2022 - present)
- American Nurses Association

PRESENTATIONS:

- “*Understanding The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.*” American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners, On-Demand Webinar, August 17, 2023.
- “*How to Improve Your Business Model & Get Where You Want to Be.*” American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners Annual Conference, Las Vegas, NV. March 2019.
- “*Life Care Plans – Who, What, When and Why.*” National Federation of Paralegal Association, Inc., Webinar, April 2018.

- “*Arizona Medical Records Law.*” Lorman Education Services, Webinar, December 2017.
- “*Meticulous Review of the Medical Records to Ensure that the MSA is not Over-funded.*” Lorman Education Services, Phoenix, AZ, August 2012.
- “*Medico-Legal Aspects of Documentation.*” American Society of Ophthalmic Registered Nurses Annual Meeting, Tucson, AZ, October 2010.
- “*The Minimum Data Set: What Can It Tell Me?*” Lorman Education Services: Nursing Home and Assisted Living Litigation in Arizona, Phoenix, AZ, October 2007.
- “*MDS Assessments, What Can They Tell Me?*” American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants Annual Convention, San Antonio, TX, May 2007.
- “*I Have the Medical Records, Now What?*” Arizona Paralegal Association, Phoenix, AZ, Fall 2006.
- “*Defensive Charting for Long Term Care.*” 3rd Annual Conference for Long Term Care Professionals, Phoenix, AZ, May 2006.
- “*Happy Workers are Drug Free.*” 11th Annual Ohio University Human Resource Institute: Hiring and Retaining Great Employees, Zanesville, Ohio, June 2005.

PUBLICATIONS:

Coffman, Misty. “Methodology Memo.” *Journal of Nurse Life Care Planning*, Spring 2022.

Coffman, Misty. *Gluten Free Baking and Cooking, How to Avoid Cross-Contamination*. December, 2023.

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