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PROFILE OF QUALIFICATIONS

- 55 years Perioperative experience
- 5 years Performance Improvement Specialist
- 8 years Perioperative Practice & Safety Consultant
- 12 years Director of Surgical Services
- 3 years Operating Room Manager
- 2 years Perioperative Clinical Nurse Specialist
- 15 years in Perioperative Education (Nursing & Surgical Technology)
- 6 years Director of Surgical Technology and Perioperative Nursing Program
- 1-year staff nurse
- 8 years Surgical Technologist
- 4 Successful JCAHO accreditations with no Type I recommendations for the Surgical areas
- International Perioperative speaker, author, consultant

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Perioperative Consultant:

OR DX & RX Solutions for Surgical Safety LLC (2015 - current)

Sedgwick CMS, Memphis, Tenn. (2011 – 2014)

Michigan Professional Insurance Exchange, MI (2012- present)

Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), Cambridge, Ma. (August 2013 to April 2014)

North Carolina Hospital Association Quality Center Consultant (2015 to 2018)

Performance Improvement Specialist:

NC Center for Hospital Quality & Patient Safety, Raleigh, NC (2010 to August 2015)

Consultant to Industry:

Ethicon Endo-Surgery OR Champs Program, 2007

Integrated Medical Systems, Birmingham, Al. (2010 to April 2015)

MYCO Medical Company, Cary, N.C. (2010 to present)

Vikon Surgical, Birmingham, AL (2014- 2016)

Meril Inc. Vapi, India (2017 – present)

Coordinator AORN Journal Patient Safety Column

AORN, Inc. (2010 to 2019)

Director Surgical Services

WakeMed Health and Hospitals, Raleigh, NC (2002 to 2010)

Director Surgical Services

Millard Fillmore Gates Circle, Buffalo, NY (1998 - 2000)

Kaleida Health: Millard Fillmore Gates Circle and Buffalo General Hospitals, Buffalo, NY (2000 - 2002)

Operating Room Manager

Millard Fillmore Health System, Buffalo, NY (1995-1998)

Perioperative Clinical Nurse Specialist

Millard Fillmore Health System, Buffalo, NY (1993-1995)

Director, Surgical Technology Program, Perioperative Nursing Course.

Trocaire College, Buffalo, NY (1987-1993)

Perioperative Nurse Instructor

Clinical Instructor, Surgical Technology

Trocaire College, Buffalo, NY (1978-1987)

Surgical Staff Nurse

Our Lady of Victory Hospital, Lackawanna, NY (1977 to 1978)

Surgical Technologist

Our Lady of Victory Hospital, Lackawanna, NY (1963 to 1972)

EDUCATION

D'Youville College, Buffalo New York
Master of Science. 1994

Daemen College, Buffalo, New York
Bachelor of Science in Nursing, 1983

Trocaire College, Buffalo, New York
Associate in Applied Sciences, 1977

Mercy Hospital, Buffalo New York
Surgical Technology Program, 1965

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

AORN Jerry G. Peers distinguished Service Award 2018

North Carolina Certified Operating Room Nurse of the Year 2012

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSES

- Current North Carolina State Registered Nurse License
- Certified Nurse Operating Room, CNOR, Association of Operating Room Nurses, Inc. 1980, recertified 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015.
- Certified Surgical Technologist, CST, Association of Surgical Technologists, 1968 to 1977

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Council on Surgical and Perioperative Safety Chair 2009-2010
- Council on Surgical and Perioperative Safety Vice Chair 2008-2009
- Council on Surgical and Perioperative Safety Secretary/Treasurer 2007-2008
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses, Inc. Member (AORN) 1980-current
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses President 2005-2006
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses President Elect 2004-2005.
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) National Board of Director 2000-2002.
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses Secretary 2002-2004
- ANA/North Carolina State Nurses Association (1998 – present)
- Sigma Theta Tau (1977 – present)
- Advisory Board Member for Nursing Spectrum 2004,2005,2006
- Editorial Advisory Board for Business Briefings: Global Surgery 2005 - 2009
- Editorial Advisory Board for MODRN Nurse 2006
- Editorial Board OR Today 2019

PUBLICATIONS

- McNamara S. Montgomery R. *Multimodal pain management for enhanced recovery: reinforcing the shift from traditional pathways through nurse-led interventions.* AORN Journal December 2016, 104(6).
- “Prevention of Venous Thromboembolism” AORN Journal, May 2014
- “National Time Out Day: More than “a Pause and a Checklist”. AORN Journal, June 2012
- “Incivility in Nursing: Unsafe Nurse, Unsafe Patients” AORN Journal, April 2012
- “Hospital Report Cards: What nurses Need to Know. AORN Journal, March 2012
- “Aseptic Technique & Normalization of Deviance Is this a Risk in Your OR? AORN Journal, June 2011
- “The Future of Nursing and Patient Safety: The Nurse’s Role” AORN Journal, May 2011
- “Reducing Fall Risk for Surgical Patients” AORN Journal, March 2011
- “Instrument Readiness: An Important Link to Patient Safety” AORN Journal, January 2011
- “Workplace Violence and Its Effects on Patient Safety” AORN Journal, December 2010
- “Patient Safety Requires a Team Approach” AORN Journal, October 2010
- Contributor to Perioperative Safety by Donna Watson RN, MSN, CNOR, ARNP-BC, Chapter 10, *Preventive Measures for Wrong-Site, Wrong Person, and Wrong-Procedure Error in the Perioperative Setting*, Mosby, Inc. 2010.
- “Preventive Measures for Wrong Site, Wrong Person, and Wrong Procedure Error in the Perioperative Setting” Perioperative Nursing Clinics, December 2008 (Vol. 3, No. 4)
- “AORN President’s Message” AORN Journal, April 2005 to March 2006.
- “Foreword” *Business Briefing Global Surgery Future Directions 2005*
- “Celebrating the Winners Who Lost”. AORN Connections, March 2005, (vol. 3, No. 3).
- *Ending the “Blame Game”*. Interview with Kelly M. Pyrek, Infection Control Today, April 2004, (Vol. 8 No. 4).
- *AORN Board of Directors Report*. AORN Congress News, Sunday, March 23, 2003 and Sunday March 21, 2004.
- *AORN Board of Directors Reports.* AORN Journal, January 2002, April 2002, September 2002, February 2003, May 2003, August 2003, October 2003, January 2004, April 2004

- *Surviving Buffalo's Great Storm One Nurses Story*. Vital Signs, December 19, 2000.
- CNOR Study Guide Fourth Edition. Contributing Author Chapter 14, Certification Board Perioperative Nurses, 1999.

PRESENTATIONS

- **“Perioperative Nursing 2000”** presented at State University of New York at Buffalo School of Nursing 6th Annual Nursing Convocation, November 10, 1999.
- **“Managed Merger NOT Merger Mania”** presented at OR Manager Conferences in Philadelphia and San Francisco, September 2000.
- **“Putting a Face on Perioperative Nursing Using Exemplars”** presented to AORN of WNY, October 5, 2000.
- **“The Nursing Network: Our Theory, Education, Practice, and Profession.”** Presented at the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Nursing 7th Annual Nursing Convocation, November 8, 2000.
- **“Maintaining A Professional Culture in a Union Environment”** Presented with Penelope Gast RN, BSN, CNOR at the 2002 Association of periOperative Registered Nurses National Congress, April 22, 2002.
- **“Hot Topic - Correct Site Surgery”** Presented with Deborah Spratt RN, BSN, CNOR at the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses National Congress, April 25, 2002.
- **“Hot Topic – Correct Site Surgery”** AORN Multispecialty Conference, St. Louis, Mo., September 27 & 29, 2002; AORN Multispecialty Conference, Las Vegas, Ne., October 12, 2002.
- **3rd International Symposium on Strategic Partnering in Healthcare; Presented: Product Integration: A case Study from the Materials and Clinical Manager's Perspective: Vendor Policies and Procedures, Clinical Evaluation of Products, Contract Negotiations, Compliance Issues;** Tuttingen, Germany, July 15-17,2003.
- **“Professionalism and the RN = Real Nurse”**, presented to Erie, Pa. Chapter, September 2002; Orlando, Fla. Chapter, October 2002; Kansas City Chapter, December 2002; Acadia, La. Chapter, April 9, 2003; Capital Chapter, NC, April 17, 2003; Mass Chapter I, May 13, 2003.
- **4th International Symposium on Strategic Partnering, presented: Evaluation and Securing Products;** Tuttingen, Germany, July 14-16, 2003.
- **“Motivation Across the Generations Moving and Grooving Together”**, presented at AORN Leadership Conference, Denver, Co. July 25-27, 2003; Tarheels East Chapter, Raleigh, NC Oct. 2,2003; Tri-State Chapter, NC October 21, 2003; AORN Sand Hills Chapter, Pine Hurst, C, December 14,2004; AORN Tri-Chapter Meeting, Los Angeles, California, January 19, 2005; AORN San Diego, San Diego, California, January 20, 2005; AORN Central Oklahoma Chapter, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, February 10, 2005; New York State Association of Central Service Professionals 3rd Annual Educational Conference, Niagara Falls, N.Y, June 11, 2005
- **“Developing a Bariatric Surgery Program from the Administrative View”** Capital AORN, Raleigh, NC November 1, 2003.
- **“You, Me, and Trends in Professional Practice = AORN”** Lansing, Michigan Chapter, November 11, 2003; West Virginia State Council, November 22, 2003.
- **“Strategic Partnering: Health Care Providers and Industry”** AORN Tarheels Chapter, Raleigh, North Carolina, December 4, 2003.

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- **“Leadership Is Not the Hat You Wear: It’s the Partnering Opportunities”** AORN Dogwood Chapter, Charlotte, North Carolina, March 6, 2004, WakeMed Surgical Services April 28, 2004; AORN Cape Fear Chapter, Fayetteville, North Carolina, February 17, 2005; AORN Gulf Coast Chapter, Tampa, Florida, March 10, 2005.
 - **“Hot Topics in Trauma Surgery”** AORN Clinical Multispecialty Conference on Trauma, Dallas, Texas, October 30, 2004.
 - **“Hot Topics Perioperative Nurses and Risk Managers Partners for Patient Safety”** North Carolina ASHRM Spring Meeting, Wrightsville Beach, NC, May 14, 2004.
 - **“Reprocessing Single Use Devices”** AORN 2004 Inaugural Pan American Conference, Panama City, Panama, November 14, 2004.
 - **“Nurses Perspective on Perioperative Infection Control”** Fifth Annual Conference of the Center for Prostheses Infection (CPI) and the Multidisciplinary Alliance Against Device-Related Infections (MADRI), San Antonio, Texas, August 5-7, 2005.
 - **“Connecting and Involving Our Members Through Leadership and Diversity”** AORN Leadership Conference, Denver, Colorado, July 16, 2005; Carolinas AORN Council of Perioperative Nurses Fifth Annual Conference, Southern Pines, North Carolina, September 16-17, 2005; West Virginia State Council Meeting, Charleston, W. Virginia, January 14, 2006.
 - **“Creating a Culture of Safety Future Directions in Perioperative Services”**, Atlanta, Georgia, November 5, 2005.
 - **“Perioperative Nursing and Patient Security A Global Strategy”** Chinese Perioperative Nurses First International Congress, Beijing, China, May 18, 2005 ; Brazilian Operating Room Nurses Conference, San Paolo, Brazil, November 10, 2005.
 - **“Managing Negativity and Conflict in a Volunteer Organization”** Nursing Alliance Leadership Academy, Louisville, Kentucky August 27-28, 2005.
 - **“Patient Safety Issues Correct Site Surgery”** World Conference on Surgical Patient Care, Barcelona, Spain, September 27, 2005.
 - **“Diverse Lessons and Wisdom from the AORN Presidents”** AORN of Piedmont President’s Day Celebration Keynote Speaker, Greenville, South Carolina, February 10, 2006.
 - **“Creating A Culture of Safety”** Korean Operating Room Nurses Congress, Seoul, Korea February 22, 2006.
 - **“AORN Standards and Recommended Practices Implementation”** I Congreso International Y XIII Congreso Nacional De Enfermeria Quirurgica, Monterrey, Mexico May 17, 2006.
 - **“AORN Competency Statement in Perioperative Practice”** I Congreso International Y XIII Congreso Nacional De Enfermeria Quirurgica, Monterrey, Mexico May 17, 2006.
 - **“Connecting and Involving Our Members through Leadership and Diversity”** Jewish Hospital & St Mary’s Health Care annual Symposium, Louisville, Kentucky, February 24, 2007.
 - **“Perioperative Patient Error Scenarios and Nursing Perspective on Patient Safety”** Association of periOperative Registered Nurses Congress Orlando Florida, March 13, 2007.
 - **“Controlling the Chaos”** Association of periOperative Registered Nurses Congress, Orlando, Florida, March 12, 2007.
 - **“Overcoming the Challenges: Leadership in the OR”** Ethicon Endosurgery OR Champs Program, Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte, North Carolina, January 13, 2007; Hershey Medical Center, Hershey, Pennsylvania, March 31, 2007; St. Francis Hospital, South

Carolina, April 28, 2007; WakeMed Health & Hospitals, Raleigh, North Carolina, November 2, 2007.

- **“Recruitment and Retention** “Association of periOperative Registered Nurses World Congress, Seoul, Korea, October 1, 2007.
- **”Technology & Teamwork WOW We’re Trendy”** AORN Tarheels East Fall Workshop, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, October 20, 2007; Society of Gastroenterology Nurses Spring Workshop, Raleigh, North Carolina, March 17, 2008; North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System 2008 Perioperative Expo, Long Island, New York, November 1, 2008; Georgia Council of Perioperative Registered Nurses Fall Seminar & Industry Fair, Atlanta, Georgia, November 8, 2008.
- **“Creating a Culture of Safety”** OLM 10 Years in Business Celebration, Dublin, Ireland on May 22, 2008 and Belfast, Ireland on May 29, 2008.
- **“Leadership Nitty Gritty from the Old Crow and the Biddy”** Georgia Council of Perioperative Registered Nurses Fall Seminar & Industry Fair, Atlanta, Georgia, November 8, 2008.
- **“Time Out & Building A Culture of Safety”** Theatre Managers and Educators Conference, Auckland, New Zealand, May 16, 2009
- **“Violence in The OR: A Never Tolerated Event”** The Joint Commission & The Joint Commission Resources 2009 Perioperative Safety Symposium, Chicago, Illinois, May 8, 2009. North Carolina/South Carolina Perioperative Registered Nurses State Council Conference, Raleigh, North Carolina, September 12, 2009. UNC School of Nursing Joint Commission and Core Measures Continuing Education Conference, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, February 18, 2010. Association of periOperative Registered Nurses, AORN 57th National Congress, Denver, Co. March 18, 2010. Northwest Georgia AORN Chapter Conference New Decade-Old Problems-Innovative Solutions; Atlanta, Georgia, April 17, 2010. Coastal AORN Chapter 3405 Surgical Seminar at the Beach, Atlantic Beach, NC, June 26, 2010. Nursing Alliance 2010 Fall Summit; Portland, Oregon, November 19&20, 2010. St. Cloud Hospital, CentraCare Health System Perioperative Care! Renew, Refresh, & Review Conference; St. Cloud, Minnesota, April 5, 2011.
- **“Motivation Across the Generations: Moving & Grooving Together”** North Carolina Society of Radiologic Technologists Leadership Conference, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, January 23, 2010.
- **“Nursing’s Future: Inspire, Develop, Coach, Celebrate Success”** AORN Chapter 3401 Conference, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, February 19, 2011. Capital AORN of NC Leadership, Teams, Infection, Trauma Conference. Raleigh, NC, November 12, 2011. Washington State Council of Perioperative Nurses 21st Annual WSCPN Mini Congress. October 13-16, 2011. Lake Chelan, Washington. Capital AORN of NC Future scope Conference. November 2, 2011, Raleigh, NC. Triangle Chapter of NAON Fall Conference, Chapel Hill, NC, October 6, 2012; AORN of Atlanta Fall Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, November 3, 2012. AORN Greenville Chapter Winter Conference, February 9, 2013, Greenville, South Carolina. AORN Coastal Chapter, May 4, 2013, Atlantic Beach, North Carolina. 20th Annual Perioperative Conference at the Beach, Gleneden Beach, Oregon May 31, 2014 University of Missouri 22nd Annual Perioperative Conference, Columbia, MO., October 18, 2014.
- **.” Where the Wild Things Are: Surgical Site Infection Defect Analysis”** North Carolina Mid Collaborative Learning Session, Greensboro, NC, June 22, 2010. AORN Capital Chapter, Raleigh, North Carolina, April 21, 2011.

- **“Urban Legends: What You Don’t Know Can Hurt You”.** IMS Focus Group of Perioperative Managers & Directors, Dallas, Texas, February 25, 2011. AORN National Congress, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 24, 2011. AORN Capital Chapter, Raleigh, North Carolina, April 21, 2011. Massachusetts AORN, AST, IACSM Conference, October 1, 2011, Boston, Ma. Washington State Council of Perioperative Nurses 21st Annual WSCP Mini Congress. October 13-16, 2011. Lake Chelan, Washington.
- **“Where Will You Be in 5 Years.... the Proverbial Question”.** St. Cloud Hospital, Centra Care Health System Perioperative Care! Renew, Refresh, & Review Conference; St. Cloud, Minnesota, April 5, 2011.
- **“There’s No Magic Wizard in the Journey to Zero Surgical Site Infections.”** NCHA Safe Surgery Conference, January 25, 2012, Raleigh, NC; AORN National Congress, Philadelphia, Pa., March 28, 2012.
- **“2011 Hot Topics in Infection Prevention”** WakeMed Health & Hospitals Hot Topics Class, October 4, 2011, Raleigh, NC
- **“Defect Analysis for Surgical Site Infection”** North Carolina Virginia Safe Surgery Collaborative (NoCVASSC) Webinar, Raleigh, NC, May 11, 2012.
- **“Prevention of Retained Surgical Items”** Webinar for Sedgwick CMS, June 28, 2012.
- **“Learning from Defect Analysis”** Webinar NoCVASSC, August 15, 2012.
- **“Prevention of Wrong Site Surgery”** Webinar for Sedgwick CMS, September 10, 2012.
- **“Incivility in Nursing: Unsafe Nurse Unsafe Patient”** Pediatric Directors Association Conference, Kansas City, Mo, September 14, 2012. Future of Nursing Action Coalition Leadership Taskforce, Charlotte, NC, March 22, 2013. Council of Perioperative Nurses and AORN Northwest Georgia Chapter Fall Conference, Atlanta, Ga. November 3, 2012. 20th Annual Perioperative Conference at the Beach, Gleneden Beach, Oregon May 31, 2014. University of Missouri 22nd Annual Perioperative Conference, Columbia, MO., October 18, 2014.
- **“SSI Defect Analysis A Case Study”** NCHA Safe Surgery Collaborative Learning Session 2, Winston-Salem, NC; October 4, 2012.
- **“Preventing Surgical Site Infections”** Webinar for Department of Defense Surgical Site Infection Partnership for Patients Community of Practice Call, January 22, 2013.
- **“Never Events Really? Peri-operative Errors...Connecting the Dots”.** Webinar with John Webster MD, MBA, MSEL. AWAC Services Company Webinar, March 28, 2013.
- **“Learning from Defects: Surgical Site Infection Defect Analysis”** 2.5 Hour Workshop with Shelby Lassiter BSN, RN, CPHQ, CIC. APIC 40th Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. June 8, 2013.
- **“Venous Thromboembolism “VTE” A Preventable Problem”** NoCVA NC Webinar August 19, 2013. NoCVA Webinar, September 19, 2013. AORN Capital Chapter Monthly Meeting, September 19, 2013. Andrews Center, Raleigh, NC. Georgia State Council Perioperative Registered Nurses Fall Seminar, Atlanta, October 10, 2015.
- **“The Table Where Rich People Sit: Examining Those Special Nursing Moments Money Can’t Buy”** Capital AORN Fall Conference, Raleigh, NC; October 26, 2013. The Carolina’s Perioperative Fall Conference, NC/SC State Council Perioperative Nurses, Asheville, NC; November 9-10, 2013. Suburban Atlanta Chapter Conference, Atlanta, Ga. February 1, 2014. Oregon State Council Conference, Portland, Oregon, May 31, 2014.
- **“SSI: Could It Be the Instruments?”** IAHCSMM National Meeting, Columbus, Ohio, May 4, 2014. Association of Surgical Technologist National Conference, Denver, Colorado, May 29, 2014. Chicago AORN Chapter Fall Conference, Skokie, IL, September 19, 2014.

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- **“Safe Surgery 2015 the NC/SC Experience”** NC/SC Perioperative Nurses State Council Conference, Columbia, S.C., November 8, 2014. Massachusetts AORN, AST, IAHCMM Annual Conference, Lowell, MA. November 7, 2015.
 - **“Perioperative Nursing Growing Throughout History”** NC/SC Perioperative Nurses State Council Conference, Columbia, S.C., November 9, 2014; Capital AORN of NC, Raleigh, NC, January 21, 2016.
 - **“Alphabet Soup: Figuring Out HAI’s”** MA Chapter I Webinar, March 3, 2015. 2015 Annual Seminar at the Beach, Moorehead City, NC, May 2, 2015. Georgia State Council of Perioperative Registered Nurses Fall Seminar, Atlanta, October 10, 2015. Capital AORN of NC, Raleigh, NC, September 11, 2015.
 - **“Wellness: Practitioner, Practice, Profession”** The Profession of Surgical Nursing Conference, Friday Center, Chapel Hill, NC October 17, 2015; Omaha Perioperative Annual Conference, Omaha, NE, October 15, 2016; Annual Conference at the Beach, Moorehead City, NC, May 12, 2016.
 - **“Ownership of Our Nursing Practice: Are We Giving It Away?”** The Profession of Surgical Nursing Conference, Friday Center, Chapel Hill, NC October 17, 2015; Omaha Perioperative Annual Conference, Omaha, NE, October 15, 2016. Puget Sound AORN Multi-Chapter Coalition Conference, Valley Medical Center, Seattle, WA., January 21, 2017. Kentuckianna Chapter Spring Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, February 25, 2017.
 - **“What’s Love Got to Do with It: Professional Communication?”** with Denise Pennell. AORN Capital Chapter, Raleigh, NC, September 18, 2016.
 - **“Wellness: Social, Physical, Emotional”** “St. Bernadette Church Silver & Gold Club, Fuquay Varina, NC, February 22, 2017.
 - **“Challenging the “Jeopardy” in Patient Safety.”** Annual Seminar at the Beach, Moorehead City, NC, May 13, 2017.
 - **“Alphabet Soup: Figuring Out HAI’s”** Operation Theater Nurses Convention. Vapi, India. July 5-6, 2017.
 - **Perioperative Assessment: The Eyes are the Windows to the Soul.** Georgia State Council Perioperative Conference. Atlanta, Georgia. October 21, 2017. AORN NC/SC Conference “Practice with Passion”. Raleigh, NC. November 4, 2017. OR Today Conference, August 27, 2018, Nashville TN.
 - **We Conquered “Time Out” Now It’s “Times Up” for Patient/Practitioner Safety.** AORN Coastal Chapter of NC Annual Education Seminar at the Beach & NCCORN Spring Conference. Moorehead City, NC May 5, 2018.
 - **Leadership Across the Generations.** With William Duffy and Jamie Ridout. Coastal AORN Chapter of North Carolina Annual Education Seminar at the Beach & NCCORN Spring Conference. Moorehead City, NC. May 5, 2018. AORN Capital Chapter. Raleigh, NC. October 10, 2018. OR Today Live Conference, Las Vegas, NV. August 18, 2019.
 - **Keys to Safety: Harmonized Care for Our Patients and Practitioners:** Panel Presentation created & commented by S. McNamara. NC/SC Perioperative Nurses Fall Conference. Conway, SC. October 26, 2018
 - **Sharps Safety: Are We on the Cutting Edge:** OR today Live Conference. Las Vegas, NV. August 19, 2019.