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# NEW GRAD NURSING RESUME

Nursing can be a challenging job field to break into even if you have a great deal of experience in the field. For new nursing graduates, the battle for a position can be a hard uphill climb. You will need to demonstrate to your potential employer that you have the compassion, clinical knowledge, and ability to operate well under pressure that more experienced candidates have and that your recent education has given you a level of knowledge and enthusiasm that those older candidates lack.

A new grad nursing resume needs to focus on any relevant training in the healthcare industry that you have along with your professional qualifications, even if they are only tangentially related to nursing. Provided below you can find three new grad nursing resume format choices. Each is geared toward a new nursing graduate but have varying levels of qualifications provided by other healthcare-related fields.

## Entry-Level Resume

The majority of people fresh out of nursing school will probably be approaching this field with little related experience. This is nothing to panic about, since you can emphasize your other professional qualities and explain how they will help you succeed as a nurse. The new grad nursing resume example provided below uses Jeanne Patenaude, who emphasizes her training and self-motivated nature as a way of explaining why she will make a good nurse.

### Jeanne Patenaude

11 Paterak Lane  
Henderson, NV 89002  
Mobile: 702-543-4598  
[email]

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### OBJECTIVE:

Highly organized and attentive nursing candidate seeking a position which requires fast decisions in a high-pressure environment, coordination of emergency medical care, and communication with patients and family members.

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### SUMMARY:

- Strong level of clinical knowledge and proficiency
- Highly motivated, energetic, and willing to take on new challenges
- Very organized and attentive to detail
- Extremely capable of operating efficiently while under pressure
- Excellent communication skills

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### EDUCATION:

#### Bachelor of Science in Nursing, May 2014

#### Nevada State College, Henderson, NV

Graduated with a GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale

#### Courses Included:

Community Healthcare  
Mental Health and Nursing  
Emergency Treatment  
Patient Support  
Diagnosis and Pathology  
Electronic Health Records

## Mid-Level Professional Resume

Not all new grad nurses are completely inexperienced in the healthcare field. Some have experience that, while outside the nursing profession, can still translate well into this new career. The new grad nursing resume sample provided below uses Michelle Sterling, who has served as both a volunteer coordinator and a clinical assistant before moving into the nursing field.

### MICHELLE STERLING

Phone: (702) 270-1241 | [email]  
13 Student Drive | Henderson, NV 89002

### Attentive Nursing Candidate

Very compassionate, highly motivated, and eager to ensure proper patient care.

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## SUMMARY:

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- Four years of experience in a clinical environment.
  - Strong ability to communicate with patients and healthcare professionals.
  - Ability to remain calm in high-pressure situations.
  - Knowledge of emergency medicine techniques.
  - Extremely professional and attentive to small details
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## EXPERIENCE:

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STARLING HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS, Henderson, NV

**Clinical Assistant**, 12/2011 to Present

Provide high-level clinical support and organization. Prepare rooms for clinicians. Assist with the taking of vital signs. Communicate with patients, family members, and key individuals associated with the healthcare provider team. Key outcomes include:

- Provide lab coordination and vital sign guidance.
- Communicate with staff nurse and physicians regarding charting procedures.
- Arrange follow-up appointments and provide communications for patients and family members.

STARLING HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS, Henderson, NV

**Volunteer Clinical Assistant**, 3/2011 to 12/2011

Provided clinical services on a part-time volunteer basis. Arranged appointments, communicated with healthcare professionals, and provided key clinical services for a busy provider team. Ensured order in the reception area and all clinical spaces. Key outcomes included:

- Provided patients with details of clinical testing procedures and ensured that they remained calm prior to seeing a doctor or nurse.
  - Took patient vitals and recorded them for the healthcare team to analyze.
  - Promoted from volunteer to full-time staff member in December 2011.
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## EDUCATION

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University of Indiana, Bloomington, IN

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing**, 5/2014

### Experienced Professional Resume

Healthcare workers who move from a long clinical career to a nursing position need to use their new grad nursing resume not only prove their overall level of competency but also need to provide an indication that the skills they accumulated will translate over well to the nursing field. Harold Kelper, the candidate in the new grad nursing sample resume provided here, takes the opportunity to build a narrative about his motivations and skills early on, then uses his experience to continue impressing a potential employer.

### Harold Kelper

[email]

63 Gifford Street | Henderson, NV 89002

Home: 702.510.6000 | Cell: 702.185.5197

### CLINICAL NURSE | EXCELLENT FUND OF KNOWLEDGE

Extremely capable and knowledgeable clinical nurse with recent training. Excellent basis of modern medicine with specialty in the general practice area and a vested interest in continued learning opportunities. Highly organized with an in-depth knowledge of electronic health records. Strong communication skills, with the ability to communicate complex medical issues effectively to patients and their families.

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## Core Knowledge and Skills:

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- General practice nursing
- Emergency medicine

- Infection control
- Patient communications
  
- Pediatric care
- ICU procedures
- Trauma management
- Electronic health records

**Nursing Intern**, Angel Hope Healthcare Center

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2014

**Clinical Assistant**, Angel Hope Healthcare Center

**Clinical Assistant**, Angel Hope Healthcare Center  
2007-2014

**Administrative Volunteer**, Angel Hope Healthcare Center

**Administrative Volunteer**, Angel Hope Healthcare Center  
2007

**Bachelor of Science**, University of Nevada  
Graduated with a BS in Nursing  
Grade Point Average: 3.5 on a 4.0 scale

**Bachelor of Science**, University of Nevada  
Graduated with a BS in Nursing  
Grade Point Average: 3.5 on a 4.0 scale  
2008-2014

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