

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Public and Behavioral Health



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FROM: Karen Beckley, Bureau Chief Journal Beckley

Bobbie Sullivan, EMS Program Manager (unavailable for signature)

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PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED

None

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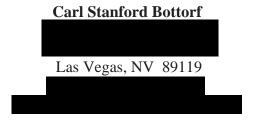
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Work Experience:

United States Air Force / Defense Health Agency

Mike O'Callaghan Military Medical Center 4700 North Las Vegas Blvd. Nellis AFB, NV 89191

2/2020 - Present

Special Assistant for Healthcare Resolutions

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills

Senior level position (one of three in the entire Air Force), based at the 99th Medical Group, Nellis/Creech/Nevada Test Range. Develops and operate a healthcare resolutions program for fifteen Air Force Medical Treatment Facilities in the west-central United States. Mediates clinical conflicts between staff, patients, and family of patients. Develops strategies through consensus that are designed to create provider resiliency, increased clinical competency, and increased trust in the consumers of military medicine.

American Medical Response Nevada, a Global Medical Response Company

7201 West Post Road Las Vegas, NV 89113

06/2019 - Present

Critical Care Transport Nurse/Paramedic

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Duties consistent with ground critical care transportation within rural and urban environments. Preceptor for un-experienced EMS personnel. 90-day period at the College of Emergency Services, an accredited AMR paramedic college in Portland, OR.

AirMed Response/International, formerly Life Guard International Flying ICU, LLC - A Global Medical Response (GMR) Company

145 East Reno Ave Suite E-7 Las Vegas, NV 89119

04/2015 - 06/2019

Program Director/Chief Flight Nurse

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Providers overall leadership and direction for a successful medical transportation company providing worldwide and regional medical evacuation and repatriation services. Senior leader, answering to the Chief Executive Officer, and responsible for innovation, planning, operations,

budgeting, compliance, and safety of the organization. Directs a management team composed of both aviation and medical professionals totaling approximately sixty members. Manages and maintains sub-contractor relationships. Additional duties consistent with problem-solving, quality improvement, compliance and licensing, and manages internal agencies (administration, business development, accounts payable/receivable, and communications. Develops and maintains strong alliances and partnerships within a diversified arrangement of public (government agencies)/private sector partners necessary to maintain corporate vitality. This includes representation on public committees including the Southern Nevada Health District and the Department of Health for the State of Nevada. Served in a volunteer (elected) position as the President District #3, Nevada Nurses Association (covering Las Vegas), and the Executive Board of the Nevada Nurses Association (affiliate of the American Nurses Association). Available 24/7 and not afraid to get "hands dirty." Maintains professional competence as a nurse and a paramedic. Demonstrates a track record of successful contingency deployments in support of FEMA disaster response teams. Collaborative partnership with the DoD to research the essential elements (during air medical transport) to improve outcomes in trauma-related situations.

Supervisor: Donna G. Miller, CEO (702-335-3027)

Okay to contact this Supervisor: Yes

Airlift Northwest, University of Washington Health System

8429 Livingston Way Juneau, AK 99801

06/2011 - 03/2015 Hours per week: 55

Clinical Nurse 2/ Flight Nurse

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Provides coordinated treatment and transportation of seriously sick and injured persons throughout Alaska and the northwestern region of the continental United States. Employs the most advanced emergency and critical care nursing skills to the aerospace environment including airway control, ventilator support, medication administration, dysrhythmia control in caring for the patient population. Participates in committees representing the region's corporate interests in the provision of quality aeromedical evacuation.

Supervisor: Shelly Deering, Regional Manager ((907) 723-0168)

Okay to contact this Supervisor: Yes

United States Air Force Reserves – Major, Nurse Corps Officer

Air Force Personnel Center

N/A

Randolph AFB, TX 78150

02/1992 - 03/2014

Hours per week: Variable

Flight Nurse/Clinical Nurse/Critical Care Nurse

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Progressive acquisition in rank and professional leadership responsibility over a career span of twenty years. Final appointment, Chief of Professional Development (reporting directly to the Chief Nursing Executive), 446 Aeromedical Staging Transportation Squadron and supervising forty-time officers and enlisted personnel. Managed officers and enlisted personnel as the

Officer-in-Charge (OIC) of a Mobile Aeromedical Staging Facility (MASF), designed to operate under austere battlefield conditions. Attached to the Uniformed Services University, teaching and deploying worldwide. Qualified as a Flight Nurse and served as Safety Officer and Disaster Management Officer in an aeromedical squadron. Faculty member for the Flight Nurse program for the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine. Frequent wartime deployments and serving as the section leader for aeromedical operations control based at Ramstein, Germany, coordinating transcontinental medical evacuation of thousands of military personnel during military wartime operations. This challenging role required the knowledgeable use of both aviation and medical resources, personnel, and logistics. Managed the medical element (as the Nurse Manager) for special operations unit (Joint Communications Support Element) garrisoned in Tampa, FL. Deployed as the interim Nurse Manager for Surgical Services to Elmendorf AB, AK, directing schedules, logistics, and personnel (officers and enlisted). At all ranks, demonstrated leadership, initiative, and developed successful collaborative strategies based on experience and training to make above average accomplishments.

Joint Communications Support Element/HSS Medical Clinic

MacDill Air Force Base

Tampa, FL 33611

07/2010 - 06/2011

Hours per week: 40

Nurse Manager/Clinic Director

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Manages and directs all aspects of a medical clinic specific to the needs of a joint special military unit (brigade strength). Supervises other medical professionals and manages care for all assigned members. Ensures compliance with military and healthcare regulatory requirements for annual, pre/post deployment, and special medical requirements. Serves as the commander's subject matter expert (SME) on all healthcare related issues. Manages direct medical support for real and training operations worldwide for all members

Arise Medical Missions, INC

1350 Grantham Drive

Sarasota, FL 34234 United States

11/2002 - 10/2010 Hours per week: 40

Director/Chief Executive Officer

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Volunteer and founder of not-for-profit organization. Development and management of all aspects of the organization's medical missions and healthcare programs worldwide. Raised funds and developed a network of resources to open and operate childrens' and geriatric homes and education health projects in Nepal ("Widows and Orphans"), Uganda, and Kenya. Identifies fields of service, recruitment of volunteers (totaling over 500), acquisition of logistics needs, and the execution of various humanitarian initiatives worldwide. Reports to the Board of Directors. Fosters partnerships with other like-minded humanitarian organizations to achieve mission success. Coordinated the organizations ability to serve as a certifying agency for CPR, First Aid, First Responder, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Hazardous Materials training, etc.

Deployment Medical Consultants

77 27th Ave NW

Gig Harbor, WA 98335

10/1999 - 09/2009 Hours per week: 30

Senior Medical Consultant

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Instructs, develops, and improves innovative solutions to healthcare-related applications for non-traditional care providers. Utilizes subject-matter expertise in WMD to advise planning and direction to public/private sector clients. Assesses high-risk targets for casualty potential and creates innovative response plan contingency solutions. Subject matter expert on third-world disaster response and healthcare issues. Educational program development involving special operations medical considerations. Development of international business contracts and partnerships. Established and operated international deployment of specialized medical support teams (Afghanistan, Nepal, etc). Subject matter expert (SME) and contract instructor to FBI, DOE, White House Medical, and other high profile governmental agencies with regards to internal medical program research and development, direct medical support, and healthcare-related research.

Meridian Mobile Health/Capital Ambulance

315 Harlow Street Bangor, ME 04401 **12/2000 - 01/2003 Hours per week:** 55

Director/Chief Operations Officer (COO)
Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Oversees all facets of emergency medical transport service for operations in Maine, including Advanced Life Support, Neonatal Intensive Care Transport, and Critical Care Transport (rotary wing and ground) for a large non-profit healthcare organization. Implemented practices that have reversed a three-year deficit budget. Developed and implemented a measurable and objective Quality Assurance Program. Created pubic/private partner alliances between fire-based EMS and private ambulance service providers. Restored and implemented an organizational Safety Committee that focuses its efforts on specific issues and has measured reductions in losses of time and equipment. Represents the interests of the organization by serving on many committees, including hospital committees such as Clinical Practice and Critical Care Operations Group. Encourages and supports educational activities and critical care outreach presentations, which are offered several times weekly. Actively communicates with all seventy-five employees on a regular basis. Demonstrates leadership by regularly staffing transports at all clinical levels; supervised five managers and an additional eighty employees.

Down East Community Hospital

Rt 1 Box 11 Machias, ME 04654 10/1999 - 12/2000 Hours per week: 45

Emergency Services Manager

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Provided leadership and supervision for all physician and nursing staff in the Emergency Department. Maintained clinical competency in nursing and paramedicine by regularly staffing the ED and ambulances. Facilitated improvements (problem-solving) in the transport modalities to be used when moving critical and unstable patients up to tertiary care hospitals (ninety miles away) by both air and ground critical care units. Implemented EMS quality assurance program with all local rural volunteer EMS providers (from Canada and Maine), culminating in success, effective, and well-attended monthly training sessions.

Continuing Education for Health Professionals, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

4301 Jones Bridge Road Bethesda, MD 20814

05/1999 - 11/1999 Hours per week: 32

Program Manager/Reviewer, Nursing Programs

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Directly reviewed and approved all CME and CNE for the Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S. annual meeting, which was attended by more than seventeen thousand people. Participated in improvements to the process of maintaining course records, which resulted in reaccreditations by authorized bodies. Provided consultations to health care activities in preparing for educational activities, such as the Food and Drug Administration, Department of Defense, and the American Society of Health Care Executives (ASCHE). Developed numerous educational programs on counter-terrorism, counter- narcotics, and weapons of mass destruction as they relate to medical emergencies and mass casualties for the public safety sector nationally and internationally.

Casualty Care Research Center, Department of Military and Emergency Medicine, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

4301 Jones Bridge Road Bethesda, MD 20814 **04/1996 - 01/1998**

Hours per week: 60 Series: 0089 Pay Plan: AD

Faculty/Chief, Educational Support Branch (Spec. Deputy, United States Marshal) (This is

a federal job)

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Developed and implemented improvements to educational programs presented by the university; specializing in the concept of Operational Medicine. Appointment as a "Special Deputy, United States Marshal" to further indemnify program validity. Designed and implemented clinical and educational activities to demonstrate the efficacy of telemedicine on a worldwide basis. Developed, reviewed, and approved numerous healthcare-related educational offerings of the institution, including the management of grant-funded research activities (CONTOMS). Provided direct medical support for various supported federal organizations (maintaining clinical competency as a paramedic and a nurse). Developed the "Vision" for the organization and fostered the implementation of long and short-term goals. Enhanced the image of the

organization by participating in numerous teaching activities in medical school programs and national level conferences. Implemented training and recommended the purchase of automatic external defibrillators for all field offices of the Secret Service resulting in at least two confirmed saves to date. Supervises a core staff of five federal employees and an indirect staff of approximately thirty military personnel (officers and enlisted).

Charlotte County Fire and Emergency Medical Services

22429 Edgewater Drive Port Charlotte, FL 33980

02/1995 - 04/1996 Hours per week: 50 Deputy Chief, EMS

Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

Promoted to the position of senior-ranking EMS officer functioned as the leader of the organization's EMS division, containing 165 employees. Innovated and implemented the region's first trauma transport and management system by collaborating with public/private sector leaders; reductions in morbidity and mortality were immediately realized as a result. Monitored and maintained federal and state compliance with established policy and law. Innovated the concept of deploying ALS fire engines, thereby introducing the availability of paramedic care into previously unserved areas of the region

Education:

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL United States

Master's Degree (in progress)

Major: Master of Science, Human Resiliency and National Security

Air Command and Staff College, Air University Maxwell AFB, AL United States

Master's Degree 12/19/2010

Major: Master of Operational Art and Science

Troy State University Troy, AL United States

Master's Degree 05/2003

Major: Master of Public Administration, Health Concentration

Charter Oak State College New Britain, CT, United States

Bachelor's Degree

Major: Bach. Of Sciences General Studies

University of the State of New York - Regents College Albany, NY United States

Associate's Degree **Major:** Nursing

St. Petersburg Junior College Saint Petersburg, FL United States

Associate's Degree

Major: Emergency Medical Technology/Fire Sciences

Certifications and Accomplishments:

- Nevada EMS/RN & Arizona RN
- Certified Emergency Nurse CEN
- Prolonged Field Care & Operational Medicine SME
- National Faculty HHS/Tactical EMS SME
- National Paramedic/Oregon Paramedic
- "Air Boss" FEMA Medevac Forward Operating Base, Texas 30 helicopters
- "Air Boss" FEMA, US Virgin Islands 7 fixed wing (2 deployments)
- Repatriation Coordinator following Las Vegas Mass Shooting 21 missions
- Endovascular Resuscitation Trained
- Mass Gathering Medicine SME
- Aeromedical Isolation Team (U.S. Army) (former SME)
- Critical Care Aeromedical Transport Team/CCATT (U.S.Air Force) (former member)
- USAF School of Aerospace Medicine, Faculty (former Flight Nurse Instructor)

Sean M. Burke

Winnemucca, NV 89445 |

SUMMARY

Experienced public safety professional with 27 years Coast Guard service. Multiple ship commands, as well as key staff leadership and instructor positions. EMS Chief, Humboldt General Hospital EMS Rescue. Assistant Chief, Grass Valley Pershing County Volunteer Fire Department. Nationally registered Advanced Emergency Medical Technician with instructor endorsement.

EXPERIENCE

2017 – 2019 Chief, Humboldt General Hospital EMS Rescue

Lead 50 full and part time employees to provide emergency medical services, vehicle extrication, HAZMAT response, rope rescue and community paramedicine to 10,000 square mile area in rural Nevada.

2015 - 2017 Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Humboldt General Hospital EMS

Education Coordinator and Interim EMS Chief for 4 months. EMS instructor, American Heart Association CPR Training Center Coordinator, Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC) instructor, NAEMT certified instructor.

2012 - Present Assistant Chief, Grass Valley Pershing County Fire Department

Oversees 18 member all-hazards fire department responding to over 75 fire and medical calls per year. Hazardous Materials Operations certification.

2009-2011 Coast Guard Liaison to US Pacific Fleet, US Coast Guard

Senior officer representing US Coast Guard at US Navy's Pacific Headquarters. Senior USCG contingency planner for 7^{th} Fleet operations. US Joint Task Force emergency command center supervisor for 2011 Japanese tsunami and nuclear incident.

2007-2009 Commanding Officer, USCG Cutter ACTIVE

Commanded major USCG ship for search and rescue, law enforcement, migrant interdiction and defense operations.

2006-2007 Chief of Staff, US Coast Guard Deployable Operations Group

Coordinated Coast Guard's world-wide deployable emergency response forces.

2004-2006 Deputy Chief of Defense Operations, US Coast Guard Headquarters

Coordinated Coast Guard defense operations. USCG liaison to Joint Chiefs of Staff.

2003-2004 Student, US Naval War College

Student at command and staff school. Graduated with highest distinction.

2001-2003	Executive Officer, USCG Cutter SENECA
	Second in command of USCG multi-mission ship
1998-2001	Chief of Leadership and Professional Development, US Coast Guard Headquarters
	Responsible for development and implementation of Coast Guard leadership and professional development training programs.
1996-1998	Operations Officer, USCG Cutter LEGARE
	Responsible for operations and navigation of USCG multi-mission ship.
1993-1996	Company Officer, USCG Academy
	Responsible for professional development of 100 cadets. Instructor for nautical science and leadership courses.
1991-1993	Commanding Officer, USCG Cutter POINT FRANCIS
	Commanded USCG patrol boat for search and rescue and law enforcement operations.
1988-1991	Deck Watch Officer, USCG Cutter HARRIET LANE
	Communications officer, weapons officer and primary law enforcement officer.

EDUCATION

1984-1988	B.S., Government, US Coast Guard Academy
2000	M.A., Organizational Management, University of Phoenix
2004	M.A., National Security & Defense Policy, US Naval War College
2014	Nationally Registered EMT
2016	Nationally Registered Advanced EMT

JAMES J. WOHLERS

Las Vegas, NV 89131

EXPERIENCE

NNSS Fire and Rescue

Mercury, NV

Paramedic 8/10/16 to present

Provide ALS/BLS emergent and non emergent medical care and transport of patients.

Medicwest Ambulance

Las Vegas, NV

Paramedic 4/01/15 to 8/01/16

Provide ALS/BLS emergent and non-emergent medical care and transport of patients.

City of Grand Island Fire Department

Grand Island, NE

Paramedic/Firefighter 10/01/00 to 04/01/15

Provide ALS/BLS emergent and non-emergent medical care and transport of patients. Performed fire suppression duties and needed.

Midwest Air Ambulance

Grand Island, NE

Flight Paramedic (PT) 04/01/12 to 10/01/15

Provided ALS medical care via rotor wing aircraft for both scene and interfacultypatients.

City and County of Denver

Paramedic 02/01/95 to 10/01/00

Provide ALS/BLS emergent and non-emergent medical care and transport of patients.

EDUCATION

Creighton University Omaha, Nebraska Paramedic Certification 1991-1993

Fremont Senior High School Fremont, Nebraska High School Diploma

AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- 2008 Nebraska Paramedic of the year
- 2012 to 2015 Member at-large Nebraska Emergency Medical Association
- 2013 to 2015 President of Nebraska EMS Instructor Association
- 2010 Qualified as expert in EMS by the California Supreme Court
- 2011/2012 Contributing Author to National Paramedic/EMT National Standards Exam (Brady EMS Text)
- 2012 Contributing Author to EMS Supervisors Principals and Practice (Jones and Bartlett Learning)