Jerrell Suddreth, MBA, BSN, RN

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EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Visionary healthcare executive with progressive leadership experience leading nursing operations, quality improvement, patient experience, financial stewardship, physician partnerships, and strategic growth. Proven ability to transform clinical operations, develop leaders, improve workforce engagement, and align operational performance with organizational strategy.

CORE LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES

Executive Leadership • Strategic Planning • Hospital Operations • Nursing Administration • Financial Management • Workforce Development • Patient Experience • Quality & Safety • Regulatory Compliance • Throughput • Physician Relations • Change Management

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief Nursing Officer | UNC Health Caldwell
2023–Present

- Executive oversight of inpatient nursing, emergency services, surgery, ICU, behavioral health, perioperative services, case management, utilization management, infection prevention, and patient experience.
- Lead hospital strategic initiatives focused on quality, workforce engagement, throughput, and financial stewardship.
- Develop physician partnerships to expand local service capabilities and reduce avoidable transfers.
- Direct regulatory readiness, nursing practice, and operational excellence initiatives.

Director of Cardiovascular & Acute Care Services | UNC Health Caldwell
2015–2023

- Oversaw ICU, telemetry, medical-surgical units, cath lab, and dialysis.
- Managed staffing, budgets, quality outcomes, and regulatory compliance.
- Led multidisciplinary teams of more than 100 professionals.

House Supervisor | UNC Health Caldwell & Frye Regional Medical Center
2013–2015

- Managed hospital-wide patient flow, staffing, admissions, transfers, and operational coordination.

Critical Care Registered Nurse | Atrium Health & UNC Health Caldwell
2010–2016

- Provided critical care nursing in Neuro ICU, Medical ICU, and other intensive care settings.

SELECTED EXECUTIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Led initiatives to improve patient experience, nursing quality, and operational performance.
- Advanced strategic service line growth through collaboration with physicians and executive leadership.
- Championed workforce engagement and leadership development across nursing services.
- Focused on reducing patient outmigration through expansion of local capabilities.

BOARD & COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

- President, Gamewell Optimist Club
- Vice Chair, Caldwell County DSS Board

EDUCATION

- MBA, Healthcare Management – Oklahoma Wesleyan University
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing – North Carolina A&T State University