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Executive Department

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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Columbus

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Deana M. Pace, from Warren, Trumbull County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services for a term beginning May 31, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 12, 2025, replacing Stacey Martin, whose term expired.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 31st day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty Four.

Mike DeWine Governor

DEANA PACE MHA, BSN, RN, EMT-P

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Patient-focused and compassionate nursing professional with 20 years of healthcare experience.

- EXPERIENCE -

UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS GEAUGA MEDICAL CENTER

Trauma Program Manager & Injury Prevention Coordinator

12/2016 - current

- Responsible for the leadership and structure of the Adult Level III trauma program at Geauga Medical Center.
- Helps create a culture of passion and commitment.
- Develops and implements trauma initiatives to improve trauma care delivery.
- Provides coaching to new trauma coordinators throughout the system.
- Works collaboratively in multiple trauma committees throughout the state and the region; notably Northern Ohio Trauma System (NOTS), Ohio Trauma Quality Improvement Program (O-TQIP), and the Ohio Society of Trauma Nurse Leaders (OSTNL).
- Successful reverifications within our Adult Level III trauma center since 2017 with zero deficiencies.
- Communicates to leadership key issues and successes related to the trauma programs.
- Works closely with the Trauma Medical Director, System Trauma Operations Manager, and System Trauma Medical Director to ensure the highest quality trauma care delivery is occurring in our facility.
- Maintains current trauma knowledge relevant to trauma care delivery and process improvement.
- Collaborates with multiple pre-hospital and intra-hospital departments.
- Thorough knowledge of the criteria listed in the Optimal Care of the Injured Patient current edition.
- Participates in regional and local disaster preparedness.
- Actively participates in multiple community outreach events to promote injury prevention.
- Experienced in national trauma data benchmarking, TQIP.
- Works closely with hospital finance to ensure trauma charge capture.
- Experience in ESO, CDM Traumabase Registry.
- Performs annual evaluations for trauma department staff.
- Works with system education to ensure relevant and critical trauma education is provided to hospital staff.
- Responsible for performance improvement opportunities identified throughout the patient encounter.
- Organizes, leads, and records minutes for all trauma committee meetings.
- Interprets data, identifies opportunities for improvement, and gears future activities towards improving patient outcomes.

Nursing Supervisor

08/2012 to 05/2014

- Responsible for all division staffing and any concerns that may arise in the absence of the manager.
- Responsible to utilize facility policy and procedure in the absence of senior leadership for immediate concerns.
- Ensured HIPAA rules and regulations were carefully followed.
- Ensured the correct number of staffers was maintained to meet budget parameters while ensuring high levels of patient care.
- Provided patients with direct nursing care when the department was short-staffed.
- Investigated and reported all accidents as required by hospital and federal rules.
- Answered questions and addressed concerns from employees promptly through email, phone and in person.
- Addressed concerns from patient's family and friends, ensuring understanding of hospital policies and procedures.

Emergency Department Charge Nurse/Staff RN

12/2008 to 11/2015.

- Provided unit leadership to support the provision of quality care to patients in a 20 bed suburban emergency department.
- Oversaw team of Registered Nurses and Paramedics on the off-shift, and ensured the scope of practice was followed.
- Assisted with examinations and procedures during the initial phases of acute illness or trauma.
- Collaborated with physicians and advanced practice providers to ensure effective patient care.
- Built and maintained excellent rapport with patients and families.
- Experience providing education to patients and family members during their Emergency Department stay.

UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS STREETSBORO URGENT CARE

Nurse Manager

11/2015 to 12/2016

- Promote a culture of understanding and patience during this new urgent care acquisition.
- · Responsibilities to include: staffing, payroll, staff education, scheduling, accounts receivable, corrective actions, Soarian charging, billing, EMR super user, yearly competencies, staff recognition, and yearly evaluations.
- Audited patient charts in real-time, ensuring that all information was accurate and complete.
- Identified areas in need of clinical improvement and implemented process changes to accommodate.
- Enforced Quality Assurance program requirements.
- Educated and reinforced the organization's policies and procedures; along with mission, vision, and values.
- · Oversight of daily operations.
- Interviewed, hired and supported the orientation of new employees.
- Responsible for communications related to patient satisfaction.
- Created a culture of safety for staff and patients.

CORE MEDICAL GROUP- GUAM & MASSACHUSETTS

Travel Nurse- Emergency Department

3/2008-11/2008

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- Collaborated with physicians and advanced practice providers to ensure effective patient care.
- Built and maintained excellent rapport with patients and families.
- Experience providing education to patients and family members during their Emergency Department stay.
- Instrumental in bringing in the T-Sheet documentation system to Guam Emergency Department.

MENTOR-ON-THE-LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firefighter/Paramedic

2004 to 2009

- Worked as part of a team of emergency responders made up of full time, part-time, and volunteer personnel.
- Worked 12 and 24 hour shifts, responding fire and EMS situations.
- Provided professional and competent life-saving emergency care in a suburban setting.
- Operated and maintained emergency vehicles in a safe, efficient manner while obeying traffic laws.
- Completed all mandatory training and education.
- Certified open water rescue diver; participated in training exercises with local dive teams.
- Educated on controlling, containing, extinguishing, and preventing fires.

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MASTER OF HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION (MHA)

Ohio University, Athens, OH

Summa Cum Laude

BACHELOR'S DEGREE NURSING (BSN) Ohio University, Athens, OH Magna Cum Laude	2016
PARAMEDIC CERTIFICATION Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, OH	2004
ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE NURSING (ADN) Lakeland Community College, Kirtland, OH	2003
CERTIFICATIONS —	
Basic Life Support (BLS) Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Trauma Nurse Core Curriculum (TNCC) Trauma Care After Resuscitation (TCAR) Trauma Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) NIMS 100, 200, 700, & 800 NICHE training CPI training PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS Ohio Society of Trauma Nurse Leaders (OSTNL) Society of Trauma Nurses (STN)	
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS ———	
UH System Nursing Leadership Award Nominee - 2022	
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UH Geauga Medical Center President's Award-2019
UH Integrity in Action Award-2016
Haas & Haas Healthcare Hero of the Month - 2013
UH Geauga Medical Center Unit Nurse Award-2008

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Appointment Date:

5/31/2024

Name of Appointee:

Deana M. Pace

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Name of Commission:

State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services

Daniel Fitzpatrick

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Term Begins:

11/13/2022

Term Ends:

11/12/2025 Independent

Party Affiliation: Senate Confirmation:

Appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Senate

Financial Disclosure:

Confidential disclosure required

Vice:

Stacey Martin