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After graduating from The College of New Jersey with a BSN in 2000, I began working at Saint Clare's Hospital in Denville, NJ in both Mother/Baby and Labor & Delivery. Three years later, after getting married and relocating to central New Jersey, I began working as a staff nurse in Labor and Delivery at Saint Peter's University Hospital (SPUH) in New Brunswick, New Jersey. During my time at SPUH, I have worked as both a charge nurse and preceptor to new nurses. Soon after earning my MSN from the University of Phoenix in 2006, I began working as a Clinical Coordinator, and most recently Assistant Nurse Manager of the Labor & Delivery/Perinatal Evaluation and Treatment Unit. I am currently the Nurse Manager for the Maternal Fetal Medicine Research Site. This has provided me with an opportunity to work with incredible researchers from all over the tri-state area looking to improve maternal and neonatal outcomes and change practice. I am also fortunate enough to serve as a member of the Saint Peter's University Hospital Leadership Development Team which organizes quarterly educational programs for both operational and clinical leaders. I have recently completed my Doctorate of Nursing Practice from Rutgers University where the focus of my Capstone Project is on Transformational Leadership and Mentoring.

As a member of ONLNJ, I have been active in the Mentorship Committee and am currently the co-chair. I have also been a Board member for the last two years and have enjoyed working with such an innovative and dedicated group of professionals as we all navigate the ever-changing face of healthcare.