

**Lori Combs, BS, RN, LNC**  
**Legal Nurse Consultant**  
**Forensic Nurse/Forensic Consultant**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**Registered nurse of 29 years with expertise in emergency medicine with advanced research, organizational, and chronological skills; proficient in telemetry interpretation and critical analysis of medical records in cases of complex disease and injury; highly specialized training in emergency medicine, adult and pediatric critical care, PACU, adult sexual assault examinations, forensic nursing, adult and pediatric abuse, blunt and sharp force trauma, and strangulation.**

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Legal Nurse Consultant**

**2011-present** Critical Analysis Consulting RN, LLC **Independent Consulting** Fort Myers, FL  
Critically evaluating medical issues in medical malpractice cases, personal injury, environmental exposures, wrongful death, criminal, dental malpractice, and nursing home negligence cases; providing professional analysis with written and verbal report evaluation with authoritative research evidence.

**Legal Nurse Consultant**

**2013-2014** Davies, McFarland & Carroll, P.C. **In-House Consulting** Pittsburgh, PA  
Analyzing medical malpractice, product liability, dental malpractice, and personal injury cases for multiple attorneys in a successful defense firm; providing professional analysis with written report evaluation, research literature for defense strategies, and securing critical experts.

**Legal Nurse Consultant**

**2011 to 2013** OEM Advisor, LLC **Independent Consulting** Baltimore, Maryland  
Evaluating environmental exposures for defense cases such as lead, Legionnaires Disease, mold and other chemical exposures; providing professional chronologies, and summary reports.

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**Staff Nurse**

**2009-2011** Scenic Mountain Medical Center **Emergency Department** Big Spring, Texas  
Responsible for primary oversight and continuity of care for patients in small rural ER. Assessed, evaluated, and treated clinically unstable patients who required rapid, knowledgeable intervention.

**Travel Nursing-Pro-Care Staffing**

**2008** St. Luke's Medical Center **Emergency Department** Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
Managed care for large variety of patients including psychiatric, pediatric, geriatric, cardiac and trauma in a Stroke Certified facility for a 13-week assignment with minimal orientation.

**2008** Pocono Medical Center **Emergency Department** East Stroudsburg, PA  
Worked in large medical facility emergency room caring for multisystem disease and trauma patients with large volume of ambulance and helicopter traffic. Performed many ancillary procedures to provide continuous care for patients due to staffing issues.

**Charge Nurse**

**2003-2009** Odessa Regional Hospital **Emergency Department** Odessa, Texas  
Managed staffing, patient care, physician orders, ancillary staff, patient and ambulance flow on a daily basis. Cared for adult and pediatric critical patients in cardiac, oncology, orthopedic, respiratory, surgical, and trauma.

**2006-2007** Alliance Hospital **PACU/Recovery** Odessa, Texas  
Cared for surgical patients after surgery/procedures in Recovery Room ensuring their recovery and stability before they were admitted or discharged.

**Staff Nurse**

**2001-2003** Abel Hanger Medical Center **Physician Clinic** Midland, Texas  
Assisted two physicians in the care of private patients with basic medical care. Handled insurance submission and paperwork. Handled ICD9 codes for testing and diagnostics.

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**Staff Nurse**

**2000-2003** Midland Memorial Hospital **Emergency Department** Midland, Texas  
Provided treatment for multi-system trauma patients as well as drug overdoses, fractured bones, open wounds, heart attacks and surgical candidates. Evaluated all aspects of medical records including history and physical, lab results, radiology reports, surgical reports and consulting reviews.

**Staff Nurse**

**1996-2000** Medical Center Hospital **Emergency Department** Odessa, Texas  
Developed organizational, assessment, treatment, and evaluation skills working in a level 2 trauma center. Cared for multiple patients at once while assisting ancillary staff and physicians. Provided emergency care for trauma patients with gunshot wounds, motor vehicle accidents, stabbings, and work-related accidents.

**Charge Nurse**

**1995-1996** Medical Center Hospital **Telemetry Unit** Odessa, Texas  
Managed large telemetry unit and staffing as Charge Nurse. Developed organizational and prioritization skills caring for large volume of cardiac patients.

**CERTIFICATIONS**

**CFN** (Certified Forensic Nurse)  
**CFC** (Certified Forensic Consultant)  
**BCLS** (Basic Cardiac Life Support) -Previous  
**ACLS** (Advanced Cardiac Life Support) - Previous  
**PALS** (Pediatrics Advanced Life Support) – Previous  
**TNCC** (Trauma Nursing Core Course) - Previous

**EDUCATION**

Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice - Kaplan University 2008-2012  
(GPA 3.94/Dean's List)  
Foothills Hospital School of Nursing - Calgary, Canada 1991-1994

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**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

American Academy of Forensic Science Conference 02/2023  
Babies and Toddlers Trauma Investigations Conference 11/2021 & 11/2023  
American Academy of Forensic Science Annual Meeting 01/2021  
International Conference on Shaken Baby Syndrome/Abusive Head Trauma 09/2020  
Master's Summit on Strangulation Conference – 08/2020  
Crimes Against Children Conference – 08/2020 and 08/2023  
Imaging Recommendations for the Patient who has been Strangled Webinar - 06/2020  
Overview of Forensic Non-fatal Strangulation Exams Webinar- 09/2019  
Advanced Course on Strangulation Prevention – Ft. Worth, Tx 05/2019  
Living Forensic Evaluation of Gunshot Wounds – Ft. Worth, Tx 05/2019  
Forensic Pathology Course – University of North Dakota 2016  
Forensic Consultant Certification - American College of Forensic Examiners Institute 2016  
Medicolegal Investigation of Death Conference – Wayne State University 2016  
Advanced Death Investigation Training Course - University of North Dakota 2016  
Forensic Nursing Certification – American College of Forensic Examiners Institute 2015  
Forensic Nursing Course – University of Florida 2013  
Health Care Risk Management Course – University of Florida 2013  
AALNC National Annual Forum – Chicago – 2013  
Juris Education Resource Knowledge Annual Conference – Raleigh 2012, 2014, 2017  
Legal Nurse Consultant Course - 2011  
Nurse Death Investigation Course - Houston, Texas 2007  
Forensic Nursing Course - Kaplan University – 2006-2008  
Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Course - Dallas, Texas 1997  
Adult Critical Care Certificate - Calgary, Canada 1994-1995

**AWARDS**

Scholarship for Academics (Foothills Hospital School of Nursing- 1994)  
NSCS (National Society of Collegiate Scholars-2008-Present)

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/LEADERSHIP**

**2016 - 2017 Treasurer of Local AALNC Chapter**  
**2014 - 2015 President of Local AALNC Chapter**  
**2016 – 2019 AALNC Social Media Chair**  
**ACFEI – (American College of Forensic Examiners Institute) – closed**  
**AFN – 2023 (Academy of Forensic Nursing)**  
**FACDL - present (Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers)**

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**PUBLICATIONS**

- (2014) **Combs, L.** Bloodstain Patterns: The Stories They Tell. *The Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting*, **25**, 8-10.
- (2015) **Combs, L.** Nurse Experts: Are YOU Prepared for Cross-Examination? *The Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting*, **26**, 31-33.
- (2018) **Combs, L.** Child Abuse: Accidental or Non-Accidental Burns? *The Florida Defender*, **29**, 14-16.
- (2020) **Combs, L.** Domestic Battery by Strangulation *The Florida Defender*, **32**, 23-24.

**PRESENTATIONS**

*The Do's and Don't's of PowerPoint Presentations.* Presented webinar to the Juris Education Research and Knowledge LNC group. November 2014.

*Blunt Force Trauma Presentation.* Presented webinar to the Juris Education Research and Knowledge LNC group. May 2015

*Blunt Force Trauma Presentation.* Presented to the Broward County Public Defender's Office, Viera Florida. January 2019

*Blunt Force Trauma Presentation.* Presented to the Lee County Association of Women Lawyers. Henderson Franklin Starnes & Holt, PA, Fort Myers, Florida. April 2019

*How to Work with Criminal Cases Presentation.* Presented webinar to the Juris Education Research and Knowledge LNC group. June 2020

*Blunt Force Trauma Presentation.* Presented webinar to the Florida Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys. October 2020

*Ballistics Trauma: Understanding Gunshot Wounds Presentation.* Presented webinar to the Juris Education Research and Knowledge LNC group. November 2023