# **ALEXXIS ALDAVA**

Substance Abuse Nurse

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#### PROFILE

I have over 1 year of experience working as a Substance Abuse Nurse. I have provided care to patients suffering from addiction and helped them through detoxification and withdrawal management. I am familiar with the 12-step program and have worked with patients in both inpatient and outpatient settings. I am passionate about helping those struggling with addiction, and I believe that nurses can make a difference in the lives of these individuals.

# LINKS

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#### SKILLS

Nursing

Substance Abuse

Health Care

Patient care

Communication skills

Organizational skills

Critical thinking

# LANGUAGES

English

Mandarin

### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

#### Substance Abuse Nurse at Cleveland Clinic, OH

May 2022 - Present

- Successfully completed a 12-week intensive outpatient program for substance abuse with 75% of patients remaining abstinent from substances at 6-month follow up.
- Successfully implemented an evidence based practice model for the treatment of co-occurring disorders which resulted in a decrease in psychiatric hospitalizations by 50%.
- Successfully created and piloted a 12 step support group for families affected by addiction which is now being offered on a weekly basis.
- Conducted trainings on recognizing and intervening with clients presenting with signs of Substance Use Disorder to staff at local shelters, resulting in earlier identification and referral to appropriate services.
- Served as preceptor to 5 new nurses over the course of 1 year, providing guidance and mentorship around working with this population.
- Substance Abuse Nurse Manager at Ohio State University, OH Aug 2021 - Apr 2022
  - Reduced the length of stay for detox patients by an average of 3 days.
  - Developed and implemented a new inpatient treatment program that reduced readmissions by 30%.
  - Successfully advocated for additional funding from the state government to support substance abuse programs.
  - Created and oversaw a successful outreach program that connected over 500 individuals with treatment services.
  - Led a team of 15 nurses in providing direct care to patients with substance use disorders.

# **EDUCATION**

#### Associate's Degree in Nursing at Ohio State University Sep 2016 - May 2021

I have learned how to provide care to patients, how to work as part of a healthcare team, and how to use technology to support patient care.

# CERTIFICATES

**Certified Substance Abuse Nurse (CSAN)** Feb 2021

**Certified Clinical Supervisor for Addiction Professionals (CCSAP)** Nov 2019