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Mr. Carl Smith
Manager, Human Resources
Alberta Health Services
112-28 St. NE
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Dear Mr. Smith:

Re: New Graduate Position

Please find the enclosed resume as an application for the graduate nursing position. I am primarily interested in nursing in an acute care setting, either in medicine or surgery, preferably at the Rockyview General Hospital or the Foothills Medical Centre. I am also interested in psychiatric nursing on an inpatient unit at the Rockyview General Hospital. By (month/year) I will have completed all of my courses.

As a student, I enjoyed the challenging environment of the Burns and Plastics Unit at the Foothills Medical Centre, particularly communication with and caring for burn patients who did not speak English. To overcome language barriers I would ask patient's families to write out common words such as water, cold, pain in both languages. Taping these words near the patient allowed all medical staff to provide better care for the patient.

During one of my shifts I encountered a patient in respiratory distress and immediately administered oxygen and then called for assistance. The patient was later diagnosed as having pneumonia. My shift work typically required me to work closely with my primary nurse and through organization and multitasking care for six patients efficiently. As an undergraduate nurse employee with the Calgary Health region my responsibilities increased to caring for three to four patients with minimal assistance.

Thank you for considering my application. I enjoyed my practicum placements and my undergraduate nursing position within the Calgary Health Region and would appreciate the opportunity to continue to work with Calgary's diverse population. Please contact me at f.nightingale@ucalgary.ca or call 403-221-9999 at anytime.

Sincerely,

F. Nightingale

(Florence Nightingale)

Enclosure (1)