

# *Diane Moore, RN*

## *Why did you choose psychiatric/mental health nursing?*

I chose mental health nursing to listen to individual's problems and along with the team help them to cope better.

## *Please provide a brief description of what you do.*

I am a charge nurse who also admits, discharges, participate in team conferences, and provide medications to our mental health patients.

## *Please describe your role in the health care team in the region/organization/community where you practice psychiatric/mental health nursing.*

Charge nurse/staff nurse



## *What do you consider to be the most challenging and most rewarding parts of psychiatric/mental health nursing?*

The most challenging parts of mental health nursing is dealing with patient conflicts on the unit to utilize their authority to act on a health need quickly.

## *What advice do you have for nursing graduates who are considering psychiatric/mental health nursing as a career?*

The new grad should have at least one year of Med/Surg experience prior to coming to Mental Health due to the physical conditions of our patients.