

Interview with a Nursing Informatics Specialist

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Introduction

Nursing informatics uses information and data and transforms the knowledge to improve health, equity, safety, quality, and outcomes of the patients they serve (ANA 2022). Nurses who specialize in nursing informatics design, develop, implement, and evaluate informatic solutions and technologies within their area of practice, which can include clinical, administrative, educational, and research (ANA 2022). Collaboration between informatic nurse specialists and stakeholders in different care settings helps to ensure best practices and solutions to current informatic issues are being upheld. Informatic nurse specialists most commonly practice in health care environments but may also work in non-health environments such as insurance, government and regulatory agencies, and technology vendors to help provide scientific, project management, and informatics principles (ANA 2022). I have interviewed a nurse informatics specialist who works in a large academic organization serving multiple hospitals. They have a master's degree in nursing informatics and are board certified with through the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

The interview was conducted over email due to time constraints of the participant. Informatics became a field of interest for them due to always having an interest in the IT and technology side of things. They came originally from the clinical side of nursing and were having a hard time with burnout, so they made a switch. They have received two other certifications from the American Nurses Credentialing Center as well. They have been an