

Owen Kurth, RN

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Critical care nurse and firefighter/EMT. Six wildland fire seasons with the US Forest Service and Washington DNR, five-plus years of structural fire and 911 EMS, and ICU practice since 2023. On the side I build small software tools, mostly for maps, permits, and maintenance records.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Registered Nurse, ICU

2023 – PRESENT

PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center · Bellingham, WA

- Bedside critical care nursing in the intensive care unit.
- Coordinates care across physicians, respiratory therapy, and families in a time-critical environment.

Firefighter / EMT

FEB 2021 – PRESENT

Whatcom County Fire Districts 14 and 19 (Glacier) · Whatcom County, WA

- Responds to 911 fire and medical calls, providing treatment and transport in a high-stress, time-sensitive environment.
- Assesses and triages patients, administers medications, and performs basic life support procedures.
- Communicates with patients, families, and receiving facilities to coordinate care.

Instructor

2023 – 2025

Remote Medical Training · Washington

- Instructed wilderness and remote medicine courses for lay responders and professionals.

Senior Wildland Firefighter

FIRE SEASONS 2018 – 2023

US Forest Service · Washington DNR · Pacific Northwest

- Led crews conducting high-acuity wildfire suppression tactics safely and effectively.
- Coordinated fire and medical actions, prioritizing crew safety.
- Line construction, burnout, holding, and mop-up across six seasons with USFS and Washington DNR.

Emergency Medical Technician

NOV 2020 – MAR 2021

Cascade Ambulance · Whatcom County, WA

- Provided emergency medical care and transport in a private ambulance setting.
- Charted patient information and vitals to industry standards; maintained infection control and equipment.

Lead Instructor

SUMMERS 2017 – 2019

Cascadia Adventure Education · Washington

- Planned and executed multi-day wilderness trips for large groups of students as lead instructor.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Registered Nurse · Washington State license.
- Emergency Medical Technician · Washington State certification.
- AHA Basic Life Support · American Heart Association.

EDUCATION

- Associate Degree in Nursing, Whatcom Community College (2023)

INDEPENDENT WORK

Founder of rvlz LLC: small software products including BeCited (AI search visibility audits) and GearLizard (vehicle maintenance records).

Author of openWFA, a free self-paced wilderness first aid course. Details at owenkurth.com.

References available on request.