

To Whom It May Concern,

A year and a half ago, I hired Christine Larsen as a Nursing Apprentice at my facility. From the first moment I met her, I knew she was going to be an incredible asset to the organization, and I am happy to report that my initial impression of her was right on.

Christine is not only exceptionally bright, but very personable as well. Her work ethic is truly admirable. She consistently gives so much more to her patients than is expected, and she does it willingly and with unbridled enthusiasm. As a CNA, she has mastered critical thinking, time management, and problem solving well beyond what I expect from my RNs.

What I appreciate most about Christine is her heartfelt care and concern for her patients. Clinical skills can be taught, but compassion can't. This compassion is what endears Christine to so many of her coworkers, but especially her patients. I have, on several occasions, overheard her interacting with patients when she didn't know I could hear, and I have always been touched by her empathetic tone and friendly conversations, even with patients who are unable to verbally respond. It should then come as no surprise that her name frequently comes up on patient comment cards where patients and families want to thank her.

In short, I have zero reservations about recommending Christine. She clearly demonstrates the intellectual fortitude, strong work ethic, and compassion that will ensure she is successful in her professional endeavors.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, or if additional information is desired.

Sincerely,

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