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Degree – Bachelors of Science-Eco System Science and Sustainability-Colorado State Univ (2016), Associates Degree-Science, Richland College, Tx (1996)

I have 40 years experience in medical, whether its as an Emergency Medical Technician in a National Park in Colorado or rural Kansas. As a Respiratory Therapist working for a major university medical facility, in a neo-natal unit, trauma, cardiac unit, or a home care company. As a Combat Medic for US Marines or Army Engineers in a hostile overseas duty assignment, a natural disaster, or an extreme weather environment. My experience in the military gave me great deal of experience in Preventive Medicine and even some public health. Considering I was one of those that was in short supply during COVID gives me a unique perspective when it comes to a medical public health incident.

Part of my position has always included training and teaching, whether its teaching a parent how to care for their child's treatment equipment, teaching Doctors and other care providers cardiac care. Being a seniors Medic I was tasked as an Instructor for Army Specialist and basic skills to deployed soldiers. I have been a classroom science teacher for students from 5<sup>th</sup> grade to post high school.

Part of any job I had was what is best described as "putting out fires, " I trouble shoot and solve problems. Whether its diagnostic or clinical assessment of a patients disease process, putting a VA patient in touch with proper contacts to solve a problem, or while working at Walter Reed-taking on issues that effect a soldiers or their family pay or benefits. To work with multiple entities to resolve a whole host of different problems. I have been an integral part of patients qualification for Medicare reimbursement and insurance requirements.

My Background has always been hands on, putting my hands, my experience, and knowledge to work to accomplish a mission or task. Besides the medical, I have background in engineering, technology, mechanical design and repair. I am very comfortable working with plans and time tables. To take up tools such as chain saw to basic hand tools to get the job done. No matter if its a commercial building or a backwoods trail needing repair.

Medical has taught me that a clean environment is required for a healthy life. That having been a Navy Corpsman, a big part of what we did was in Preventive Medicine. That in the field that clean water, clean air, and good food are my goals to provide. This also goes for the environment that surrounds us. My degree is in Eco-system Science and Sustainability,

that works to provide a healthy environment from a business aspect. This is Ecosystem services and how to put a price on them. To enable a community to accept and understand the service that this part of ecology provides to the community.