

# Karen Flaherty MS, M.Ed, APRN-BC

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## SUMMARY

*Seeking a faculty position medical/ surgical nursing  
Certified Nurse Practitioner (Adult Primary Care)*

Former Nursing Director of Breast Center at BWH with experience as a nursing Instructor and Lecturer at the graduate school level.

## EDUCATION

**MGH Institute of Health Professions, Boston, MA**  
Certificate in Adult Primary Care— May 2002

**Wheelock College Graduate School, Boston, MA**  
M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education— May 1989

**Boston College Graduate School, Newton, MA**  
M.S. in Nursing— June 1980

**Fitchburg State College, Fitchburg, MA**  
B.S.N.— June 1975

## CERTIFICATION

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Adult Primary Care  
Certified Breast Care Nurse ONS

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL— BOSTON, MA

1998-12/2017

*Nurse Director (Comprehensive Breast Care Health Center)*

- Responsible for the daily operations of the center including staff supervision, preparation of schedules, budget preparation and management, hiring and training of new staff, program evaluation and development and long range planning.
- Charged with the provision of direct patient care which includes management and evaluation of patients with breast concerns, pre and post-operative care including drain removal, wound evaluation, functional status evaluation and lymphedema education.
- Provision of outreach - educational programs in the community.

### MGH INSTITUTE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS— CHARLESTOWN, MA

2006- Present

#### **Clinical Instructor Adult Health Appointed: 8/2018**

*Instructor: Common Problems (medical -surgical nursing) (Fall 2018)*

*Clinical Coordinator: Nursing Process and Skills (Spring 2019 and Summer 2019)*

*Lecturer: Health Assessment (Fall 2009 – Summer 2018) Nursing Process and Skills (Spring 2018 & Summer 2018)*

- Conducted Lab sessions for students in their Health Assessment Course. Emphasis on the importance of health history across the lifespan and application of history taking and basic physical assessment skills.

*Instructor: Advanced Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning (Fall Semester 2006 & 2007 & 2008)*

- Conducted Lab session for Students to provide mastery of inter-viewing and examining adults. The students develop skills to perform comprehensive, wellness oriented, screening and symptom driven exams.

### **BABSON COLLEGE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER WELLESLEY, MA**

2018-Present

*Staff Nurse Practitioner: Provided Episodic and Urgent Care visits for the student population.*

**KAPLAN—BOSTON, MA**

2005 - 2015

*NCLEX-RN Test Prep Instructor*

- Teach students how to prepare for the NCLEX nurse licensing exam. Courses are 2 weeks in length. Instructor for the Welcome Back Program for Internationally trained nurses seeking to work as RNs here in US. This program is sponsored through Bunker Hill Community College and Kaplan.

**Karen Flaherty MS, M.Ed, APRN-BC****BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL— BOSTON, MA**

2001 - May 2002

*NP Clinical Outplacement (Emergency Department)***WALNUT PARK SCHOOL, Newton, MA**

1989 - 1997

*School Nurse*

- Responsibilities included preparation of the classroom environment, development of learning centers, planning and organizing thematic units of study, maintenance of student records, implementation of positive classroom management strategies and communication with parents. Provided First Aid and managed student health records.

**PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE****BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL— BOSTON, MA**

- Instructor Department of Parent Education – Sibling
- Staff Nurse Women and Newborn Health
- Clinical Nurse Specialist Gyn – Oncology
- Nurse Manager Ambulatory Surgical Specialties

**RESEARCH**

Co-authored "Nurses Perceptions of Their Role as Patient Educators." Journal of Nursing Staff Education, 12/90.

Co-Authored "Clinical Experience with Aspiration of Breast Abscesses Based on Size and Etiology at an Academic Medical Center" Journal of Clinical Ultrasound, Vol 42, No:9 November/December 2014

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

Member Oncology Nursing Society, Mass Coalition of Nurse Practitioners