# NEIL H. PATTERSON

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## **SUMMARY**

A highly skilled Network/Server/Workstation support tech and technical customer service professional, seeking a new role as a Support Analyst / Admin / Lead / Trainer / Manager or Tech writer.

- Over 30 years of professional experience, remotely & in person. Positive, solution-focused and thorough with an eye on conserving assets while ensuring quality results and documenting processes.
- World-Class customer service training resulting in consistent 100% positive client feedback, and frequent recognition for rapid resolutions and superior service / customer handling.
- A reputation for volunteering, high sustained quality & productivity levels, exceeding client expectations and consistently being among the top 10% of active, involved team members.
- Considering Relocation Areas: Central FL, Eastern TN, Central NY.

#### **Core Proficiencies**

**Expert:** Windows-based Laptop, desktop and server repair (Break - Fix), Computer / Network troubleshooting, Technical Customer Service, Technical support, and Sales support. Network and Internet support and diagnostics, Empathy, Documentation, and Hardware installation.

**Adept:** Organization, Training, Microsoft AD administration, Remote Support tools like RDP and Bomgar, VPN support, SysInternals, Wireshark, Adobe & Office 365 administration, ServiceNow user (jr admin), Malware detection/removal, Point-of-Sale systems. Training, Surveys and Planning.

**Familiar:** VMware, Citrix, Cisco, Cabling, and Cloud technologies. Technical Writing, editing and proofreading. Cerner Medical Applications, Service Now

#### Certification

Achieved NT4 MCSE Certification via self-study & instructor-led training within 10 Mos, and passed all tests on first attempt with a substantial margin (90%+) MCP # 1051234 – 1999-2000

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Technical Support Specialist - Baycare- 5/2019 - Present

Location: Tampa, FL

- Providing support to 32,000 of the nations finest health care workers, as chosen by WATSON.
- Worked thru the COVID-19 Crisis from home, via VPN, using Bomgar / Cerner / Service Now.
- Achieved HDI Certification 1/2020, Received several High Five awards for outstanding performance.

#### Independent IT Contractor - OnForce - 3/2006 - 5/2019

Location: NC, TN, FL, VA

- Resolved many issues with familiar software/equipment, but some go beyond previous experience, utilizing a broad support and troubleshooting background, have completed all contracts with 100% satisfaction.
- Consistently produced 100% positive feedback on every job (~75) undertaken over the past 13 years.
- This company provided occasional interim day-long jobs between regular full-time employment, and was sold to WorkNation in 2019.

#### L2 Deskside Support - AmEx/GBT Contract through IBM - 1/2016 - 12/2018

Location: Tampa, Florida

- Hired to provide early morning East Coast Remote Level 2 Support as part of a (mostly remote) team of 8-12 during Microsoft Domain Migration for AmEx/Global Business Travel (GBT), onsite in Tampa via remote control and phone (and from home as needed).
- Late hours and weekends (as needed) to resolve deployment/migration issues with IBM testing teams.
- Ranked in the top 3 for total ticket volume and High Priority Incidents completed.
- Traveled to the GBT NJ Office to assist with the HQ workstation migration of  $\sim$  200 executive staff.
- Fielded outside workgroup overflows, expanding above and beyond the normal scope of L2 duties.
- <u>Conserved GBT resources by suggesting a technique of troubleshooting that saved a large number of PC swaps.</u> This suggestion to the team resulted in reduced operational costs in terms of shipping and fewer hours spent by the depot team, saving GBT an untold amount of money.
- Co-Managed our team's many ServiceNow inbound queues and prepared reporting on demand.
- Dispatched Service-Now Incident and Task tickets globally while maintaining tech queue balance.
- Liaison for most P2 escalations and gathered/accumulated P1 outage tickets, delegated closure.
- Created Knowledge Base articles, provided KB reviews and feedback for the L1 team.
- Generated daily metric reports from Service-Now data for Management and Team distribution.

#### Manager - Expertek Computer Services - 7/2008 - 9/2015

Location: Munford, TN

- Managed daily ops, interfaced with clients and diagnosed carry-in PCs, did on-site repairs as needed.
- Sourced & purchased components and gear, created merchandising, marketing, and Inventory Functions.
- Designed our website and ticketing system and collaborated with a PHP developer to implement it.
- Interviewed/hired employees, training on proper handling of clients, and technical processes.
- Trained techs (up to 4 at one time), most of whom were running the bench within 3 months.
- Developed and marketed a custom anti-Malware bundle with a warranty on re-infection.

#### Technical Manager - Walling Data Systems - 10/2007 - 6/2008

Location: Hickory/Lenoir, NC

- Hired as a network support technician and Promoted to Manage the Statesville, NC store.
- Met and Greeted Clients, Fixed carry-in PCs, consulted on network design, did support for small local businesses.
- Supervised one other technical employee, Mentoring him to run the shop when on-site.

#### Technical Manager - Computer RX Central, Inc - 7/2005 – 4/2006

Location: Brentwood, TN

- Hired as a laptop repair technician and was asked to help open and Manage a new location.
- Increased client rapport and resulted in a high level of retained clients, shown in repeat business.
- Designed and implemented forms and (check)lists which are still in use today, for inbound system
- triage, troubleshooting, and bench processes, and training new employees on customer service.

#### Technical Support Rep - Dell - 1/2004 - 5/2005

Location: Nashville, TN

- 3 Mos into XPS Support Queue, averaged 85% first round resolution rate for months, #2 in queue.
- Noted in Dell's internal monthly newsletter for high resolution rates and consistent 100% on Customer Satisfaction ratings, and client kudos.

### **EDUCATION**

St Petersburg Junior College – Completed 2 years of coursework in Computer Sciences (networking and programming)

Currently, Self-Paced studying WebDev; Javascript, PHP, MySQL, and Cloud-based Services.