CRNA Letter of Recommendation Template

Dear [Name of CRNA Program] Admissions Committee,

My name is [your name], and I am writing to recommend Cristina Lopez to your BSN-to-DNP program. As the nurse manager of the [your facility] Surgical ICU, I have supervised Cristina for the past two years.

I have seen Cristina excel in many diverse and challenging clinical situations, and grow in her abilities to collaborate with a team. I believe she would do very well in your esteemed program and go on to be an excellent nurse anesthetist.

During her time on our unit, Cristina became a resource for other nurses due to her deep understanding of pathophysiology. She is a powerful advocate for the patients under her care. Cristina has a remarkable ability to identify subtle changes in her patients' conditions, and uses impressive critical thinking skills to take actions that prevent adverse events.

She has strong communication skills, and last fall her work on our unit's Quality Council led to the implementation of a new standardized system for taking verbal reports from the Operating Room and PACU staff. This contributed to improved scores on our annual Patient Safety and Adverse Event Tracking report.

Cristina's team members often remark on her unwavering composure in the midst of stress and uncertainty. There have been multiple times over the past two years when a patient family approached me to share that Cristina's calm presence is helpful and healing.

I have witnessed this firsthand many times over the past two years. In one instance, her patient pulled out his central line, resulting in significant risk of infection and blood loss. Cristina collaborated with her team to establish a new line and mitigate the risk to the patient, and she successfully calmed down her patient. It is experiences like this that make me confident of her great potential.

I believe Cristina would be a strong addition to your BSN-to-DNP program. Because of what I've seen of her performance in our unit, I am confident she will succeed as she pursues new avenues of nursing.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any further questions. I would be happy to discuss Cristina's contributions to our unit in more detail.

Best regards,
[Your name and credentials]
[Place of employment]
[Email address]
[Phone number]