

# » Celebrating clinical excellence

Registered nurses at University Health System (UHS) who obtain national certifications in their specialty have achieved practice excellence. These clinical experts perform varied roles, depending on the nature of the position, unit/clinic and patient population. The unifying characteristic for these role models is the level of confidence that can be placed in them by administrators, colleagues and our patients and their families. Nationally certified nurses enhance our ability to achieve optimal patient outcomes, improve patient safety and quality of care and lower mortality rates.

To learn more about how to obtain a national certification in your specialty, please contact Bonnie Schraner, BSN, RN, RN-BC, Continuing Education Coordinator, ext. 8-1709. Podcasts for Review Courses for CMSRN, CCRN, CEN and PCCN, will soon be available online at [www.UniversityHealthSystem.com](http://www.UniversityHealthSystem.com).

## We are proud to honor our nationally certified nurses:

**ANP-BC - Adult Nurse Practitioner**  
Nancy Sandusky, BSN, RN, APRN

**RN-C - Ambulatory Care Nursing**  
Theresa Edwards, BSN, RN, RN-BC

**CMSRN - Certified Medical-Surgical Registered Nurse**  
Armando Alcalá, RN, CMSRN  
Kenneth Bruce, BSN, RN, CMSRN  
Crisostomo Cabagay, BSN, RN, CCRN, CMSRN  
Carmelita Dizon, BSN, RN, CMSRN  
Donna Grieder, BSN, RN, CMSRN  
Nora Sharp, RN, CMSRN  
Deborah Stolz, RN, CMSRN  
Jesusita Welker, RN, CMSRN

**CWCN - Certified Wound Care Nurse**  
Annabella Barbosa-Prince, MSN, RN, CWCN

**Certified Diabetes Educator**  
Sue Buck, BSN, RN, CDE  
Ruby Favela-Prezas, BSN, RN, CDE  
Petra Grinnell, BSN, RN, CDE  
Linda Quattrone, RN, CDE

**CGRN - Certified Gastroenterology RN**  
Sandra Bliss, RN, CGRN  
Mallissa Garcia, RN, CGRN  
Robert Garcia, RN, CGRN  
Brandi Hohensee, RN, CGRN

**CNRN - Certified Neuro-Science RN**  
Almira Hermoso, BSN, RN, CCRN-CSC, CNRN  
Pressanna Joseph, RN, RN-C, CNRN, CCRN  
Charles Reed, MSN, RN, CNRN

**ONC - Certified Oncology, RN**  
Malathi Balraj, BSN, RN, ONC

**OCN - Certified Oncology, RN**  
Madelyn Allen, MSN, RN, OCN  
Salvacion Benedicto, BSN, RN, OCN  
Jody Davis, BSN, RN, WHCNP, OCN  
Ping Ho, BSN, RN, OCN  
Susan Pawkett, BSN, RN, OCN  
Reylin Segura, BSN, RN, OCN  
Eli Villarreal, BSN, RN, OCN  
Dianne Hallworth, MPH, OCN

**CNOR - Certified Operating Room RN**  
Soosi Abraham, RN, CNOR  
Denise Anaya, RN, CNOR  
James John Ashcroft, RN, CNOR  
Ruben Barrios, BSN, RN, CNOR  
Ann Bartay, BSN, RN, CNOR  
Shirley Domke, BSN, RN, CNOR  
Irene Fernando, RN, CNOR  
Robert Grundler, RN, CNOR  
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Theresa Houseman, RN, CNOR  
Mary Keaton, RN, CNOR  
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## What does national certification mean to some of our nurses?



*"I have been a nurse for 25 years, 15 of those at UHS. UHS has been supportive in my nursing career and I was comfortable in my position. My husband and my father encouraged me to pursue career advancement by seeking national certification for my PACU skills. I'm proud to say I am now a Certified Perianesthesia Nurse. I feel this is evidence of my professional commitment and places me in high demand."*

—Normita Nunez, BSN, RN, CPAN



*"Med-surg nursing is at the very foundation of the entire nursing practice. Med-surg nurses care for the widest range of patient illnesses and conditions. It is important to me that I seek to be very knowledgeable so as to assure that I provide the life-improving, and sometimes life-saving, care for my patients. Taking the national med-surg certification exam verifies that I have a good level of knowledge in the field and am therefore capable of providing the level of care my patients need and deserve, and the level of care that I desire to deliver."*

— Larry Bruce, RN, BSN, CCRN

Mary Larson, BSN, RN, CNOR  
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Ramona Valdez, RN, CNOR  
Erica Zuniga, RN, CNOR  
Shehnaz Mamdani, RN, CNOR

**CPN - Certified Pediatric Nurse**  
Joyce George, BSN, RN, CPN  
Bindu Sam, BSN, RN, CPN  
Shehnaz Mamdani, BSN, RN, RN-CPN

**CCTN - Certified Clinical Transplant Nurse**  
Florida De Veas, RN, CCTN  
Jozette Kayser-Erfurth, BSN, RN, CCRN, CCTN  
Stephanie Knight, BSN, RN, CCTN  
Janet Kramer, RN, CCTN  
Thomas Vorpahl, MSN, RN, CCTN

**CMC - Certified Case Manager**  
Rochelle Cortes, RN, CMC  
Dolores Puente, BSN, RN, CMC  
Teresa Russo, RN, CMC  
Debra Standard, BSN, RN, CMC

**CCM - Certified Case Manager**  
Victoria Bolling, RN, CCM  
Shannon Rae Diamond Lopez, BSN RN CCM  
Judith Lerma, MSN, RN, RNC (INPT), CCM

### CCRN - Certified Critical Care RN

Randall Beadle, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Tracy Bradley, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Ma Falcotelo, BSN, RN, CCRN  
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Trini Capre, RN, CCRN  
Renimol Kochuman, RN, CCRN  
Aleyamma Kochuman, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Bessy Moonnumackal, RN, CCRN  
Jai Phillip, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Susan Robertson, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Mariamma Shaju, RN, CCRN  
Richard DeVera, BSN, RN, CCRN  
Angelei Mercado, BSN, RN, CCRN

**CNS - Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist**  
Debra Fraley, MSN, RN, CNS, CCRN

**CGNS-BC - Certified Gerontological Nurse Specialist**  
Deborah Forman-Lindsay, MSN, RN, CGNS-BC

**CEN - Certified Emergency RN**  
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Darlene Nelson, RN, CEN  
Candy Perez, BSN, RN, CEN  
Ernest Prince, RN, CEN  
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**CNN - Certified Nephrology Nurse**  
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Fernando Rodriguez, RN, CDN  
Kathleen Smith, RN, CDN  
Donna Muzzarelli, BSN, RN, CNN  
Joseph Myers, Jr., BSN, RN, CNN  
Alma Dowell, RN, CDN  
Pearl McGarity, RN, CDN  
Esmerelda Mata Guerra, RN, CDN

**CPAN - Certified Post Anesthesia Nurse**  
Celito Ascio, BSN, RN, CPAN  
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Jennifer Clark, RN, CPAN  
Erline Crisostomo, BSN, RN, CPAN  
Normita Nunez, BSN, RN, CPAN  
Patti Kaye Pena, BSN, RN, CPAN  
Connie Wan, BSN, RN, CPAN

**CCRN-CMC - Cardiac Medical Certification**  
Kimberly Hubbard, RN, CCTN, CCRN-CSC-CMC

**CCRN-CSC - Cardiac Surgery Certification**  
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**CRRN - Certified Rehabilitation RN**  
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Gertrude Umaming, RN, CRRN

**NE-BC - Certified Nurse Executive**  
Grace Cookson, BSN, RN, NE-BC  
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**NEA-BC - Nurse Executive Administrator**  
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**NNP-BC - Neonatal Nurse Practitioner**  
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**RN-C - General Nursing Practice**  
JoAnn Mizell, RN, RN-C  
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**RN-BC - High Risk Perinatal Nursing**  
Bonnie Schraner, BSN, RN, RN-BC

**C-EFM - Electronic Fetal Monitoring**  
Carroll Brooks, BSN, RN, RNC (INPT), C-EFM  
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**RNC (INPT) - Inpatient Obstetric Nursing**  
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**RNC (LRN) - Low Risk Neonatal Intensive**  
Angela Brannan, BSN, RN, RNC (LRN)  
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**Maternal Newborn Nursing**  
Olga Davidson, MSN, RN, FNP-BC, RNC (MN)

**RN-C - Medical/Surgical Nurse**  
Jackie Barrios, RN, RN-C  
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**RN-C - Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing**  
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**FNP-BC - Nurse Practitioner-Family Practice**  
Olga Davidson, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC  
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**Nurse Practitioner-Women Health**  
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Linda Schmidt, MPH, RN, WHNP-BC  
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**RN-C - Nursing Case Management**  
Paul Alfieri, RN, RN-C  
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**RN-C - Pain Management**  
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**CCRN - Pediatric Critical Care Nursing**  
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Mary Ann Peinemann, MSN, RN, CCRN

**RN-BC - Progressive Care Certified Nurse**  
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**RN-C - Psychiatric & Mental Health Nurse**  
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Richard Schmeisser, RN, RN-C  
Jean Smith, MSN, RN, RN-BC  
Rose Wilson, RN, RN-C  
Hilda Grant, RN, RN-C  
Andrew Trevino, BSN, RN, RN-C  
Evangalina Escalante, BSN, RN, RN-C

**RNC (TNP) - Telephone Nursing Practice**  
Yvonne Layne, RN, RNC (TNP)  
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Pauline Graham, BSN, RN, RNC (TNP)

**If you currently have a national certification, please contact Amy Hensz, Manager, Recruitment & Placement, Human Resources, ext. 8-0546.**