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**[HOSPITAL NAME] Celebrates Certified Nurses for Going the Extra Mile**

[**CITY/STATE/DATE**] – [**HOSPITAL NAME**] will recognize the unique contributions of its certified nurses on Certified Nurses Day, March 19, 2025. Join us in celebrating the following certified nurses for their exemplary care and commitment to patient safety:

[**LIST NURSES AND SPECIALTIES**]

[**INSERT QUOTE FROM CHIEF NURSING OFFICER OR CEO. Focus on the dedication and persistence required to achieve and maintain certification, and the contributions certified nurses make to the nursing profession.**]

Certification validates a nurse’s specialty knowledge for practice in a defined functional or clinical area of nursing. Currently, over 137,000 certified acute, progressive and critical care nurses hold AACN Certification Corporation’s credentials, including CCRN, PCCN, ACNPC, ACNPC-AG, CCNS, ACCNS-AG, ACCNS-P, ACCNS-N, CMC and CSC.

In addition, certification benefits patients and their families, validating that the nurses caring for them have demonstrated experience, knowledge and skills in the complex specialties of critical, progressive or acute care.

Certified Nurses Day is an annual worldwide event dedicated to celebrating certification as a means to ensure high standards of patient care and safety. Initially proposed by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the day honors the birthday of the late Margretta “Gretta” Madden Styles, an international pioneer of nursing certification who designed the first comprehensive study of nurse credentialing.

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