

AWARDS

ACES AWARD

Michele Albaugh, BSN, RN
James Buckreis, BSN, RN
Melody Capitola, MSN, RN, CCM

DAISY Awards

Michele Albaugh, BSN, RN
Dixie Armbruster, RN
Kristi Bennett, RN
Jodi Brashear, RN
Krystal Bridges, RN
Jessica Drilak, BSN, RN
Nancy Eldridge, RN
Jessica Franks, RN - DAISY Team Award
Kelly Geis, MSN
Carrie Guerra, RN
Darla Heidt, BSN, CVRN - DAISY Team Award
Stacey Houck, BSN, RN
Erin Jovanovich, RN, CVRN - DAISY Team Award
Courtney Kaster, RN
Kelly Kerns, RN
Anita Klein, RN-BC - DAISY Team Award
Laurie Klein, RN-BC - DAISY Team Award
Kayley McKay, BSN, RN
Jennifer Nichols, BSN
Patiens Pettiford, RN
Sandy Rahimzadeh, RN
Jamie Reynolds, BSN, RN
Janet Rice, BSN, MSN, RN-BC, ONC - DAISY Nurse
Leader Award.
Victoria Robinson, BSN, RN
Ellen Schauerman, BSN, RN, RNC-NIC - DAISY Lifetime
Achievement Award
Melissa Sprickman, RN, CMSRN - DAISY Team Award
Kara Unger, BSN, RN
UPMC Western Maryland Intensive Care Unit - DAISY
Team Award
Amanda Wingrove, RN
Colleen Yaksick, RN
Tawnda Zamoski, BSN, RN, RNC-NIC - DAISY Nurse
Leader Award

David Bertoty, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, is a UPMC Health
Care Hero Spot winner, presented by the Pittsburgh
Penguins.

Karen Bright, BSN, RN received the Best Surgical
Potpourri Abstract Award at the American College of
Surgeons 2021 ACS Quality and Safety Conference.

Amber Cole BSN, RN, PCCN, is a UPMC Health Care
Hero Spot winner, presented by the Pittsburgh
Penguins.

Courtney Dempsey, BSN, RN, TCRN, received the
Josie King Hero Award, given to those who work hard
to create a culture of patient safety.

Sandra Faber, BSN, RN, CNOR, was nominated to
The National Society of Leadership and Success,
Capella University.

Aileen Gallatin, MSED, BSN, RN, CCTC, received
the Community Liver Alliance 2021 "You Make a
Difference Award"

Denise Krall, BSN, RN, received the Outstanding
Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Association
of Perianesthesia Nurses.

Patricia Meyer, DNP, CRNP, FNP-BC, AGACNP-BC,
NE-BC received the Distinguished Alumni Award from
LaRoche University.

Brianna Milankovich, BSN, RN, received the Community
Liver Alliance 2021 "You Make a Difference Award"

Joni Minor, MSN, RN, CCRN, was recognized as part
of the Circle of Excellence, American Association of
Critical Care Nurses (AACN).

Jessica Serdy, RN, received the Richard L. Simmons
Speak up for Patient Safety Award.

Cynthia Stauber, MSN, RN, NE-BC received the
Distinguished Alumni Award from LaRoche University.

UPMC Carlisle's ICU has been granted the PA Safety
Authority Award for 2021 "I am Patient Safety". They
reduced pressure injuries by greater than 50%.

UPMC St. Margaret achieved Nurses Improving Care for
Healthsystem Elders (NICHE) status.

Debra Urban, BSN, RN - received the Ellen McCormick
Award

Lisa Urban, BSN, RN, MBA-Honors, Deans List, Golden
Key International Honor Society; University of Phoenix.

Chris Vitale, MSN, RN, was named "Injury Free Coalition
for Kids National Program Coordinator of the Year" by
the Injury Free Coalition for Kids.

Deanna Webb, RN, won the Student Nurse Intern
Program Preceptor of the Year award.

2021 UPNC Nurses Week Conference Awards

There were seven awards presented during the 2021 Nurses Week Celebration to individuals who made significant contributions to nursing at UPMC.

Rising Star in Clinical Practice — Ashley Weston, RN, BSN, senior professional staff nurse, UPMC Carlisle

Champion of Nursing Award — Elena Romero Dailey, MD, hospitalist medical director, UPMC Carlisle

Legacy of Nursing Award — Michaelene Landy, MSN, RN, GCNS-BC, clinician, UPMC Western Psychiatric Hospital

Spirit of Inclusion Award — Christa Bender, RN, ASN, RNC-OB, RN III, UPMC Altoona

Leading With Wisdom Award — Dominique Ferrier, MSN, RN, NE-BC, unit director, UPMC Passavant

Outstanding Preceptor Award — Brenda Gregory, RN, CCTN, senior professional staff nurse, UPMC Presbyterian

Outstanding Patient Advocate Award — Kate Spiering, MSN, RN, CNRN, programmatic nurse specialist, UPMC Presbyterian

2021 Pittsburgh Magazine Excellence in Nursing Honorees

Maribeth McLaughlin, MPM, vice president, Operations, UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital, received the Excellence in Nursing — Leader award.

Shenoa Jamieson, CRNP, pediatric nurse practitioner, UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, received the Excellence in Nursing — Clinician award.

Alexis Myers, CRNP, pediatric primary care mental health specialist, UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, received the Excellence in Nursing — Community award.

2021 Pittsburgh Magazine Excellence in Nursing Honorable Mentions

Pandemic Response Hero

Mark Cashioli, infusion nurse, Chartwell Specialty Pharmacy

Judith A. Shovel, improvement specialist, Clinical Improvement Department, Wolff Center at UPMC Leadership

Geralyn Lee, clinical director, UPMC Home Healthcare

Emerging Leader

Ashleigh Anderson, senior professional staff nurse, UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh

Tammy Barker-Fleming, unit director, Neuro/Trauma, UPMC Presbyterian Hospital

Tara Stickley, unit director, Womancare Birth Center, UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital

Advanced Practitioner

Charles Warner, nurse practitioner, Critical Care Medicine, UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital

Clinician

Mandy Emmick, registered nurse/case manager, UPMC Home Healthcare

Catherine "Caty" Thomas, clinical education specialist, UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital