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Health News

Nash Health Care Systems Announces Pathway to Excellence Designation

Nash Health Care is pleased to announce it has achieved a three-year Pathway to Excellence designation by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) for the second consecutive time. In achieving this honor, Nash Health Care becomes the only hospital in North Carolina to earn the coveted distinction.

The Pathway to Excellence designation identifies work environments where nurses can flourish and feel empowered. It substantiates nursing job satisfaction at Nash Health Care and identifies it as one of the best places to work.

Pathway to Excellence designation is granted based on the confirmed presence of the six Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards – shared decision-making, leadership, safety, quality, well-being, and professional development. For an organization to earn this distinction, it must successfully undergo a thorough review process that documents quality initiatives in creating a positive work environment as defined by nurses and supported by research.

These initiatives must be integrated in the facility's practices, policies and culture. Nurses in the organization validate the presence of the criteria in the organization through participation in a completely voluntary and confidential online survey.

“As a Pathway to Excellence designated organization, Nash Health Care is committed to creating an environment where nurses excel and feel valued as integral members of our professional health care teams,” indicated Crystal Hayden, DNP, MSN, RN, Senior Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer at Nash Health Care.

This designation also confirms to the public that nurses working at Nash Health Care know their efforts are supported. The honor encourages other nurses to join their colleagues in this nurturing environment.

The American Nurses Credentialing Center, a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association, provides individuals and organizations throughout the nursing profession with the resources they need to achieve practice excellence.

ANCC's internationally renowned credentialing programs certify nurses in specialty practice areas; recognize health care organizations for promoting safe, positive work environments through the Pathway to Excellence and Pathway to Excellence in Long Term Care programs; and accredit providers of continuing nursing education. In addition, ANCC provides leading-edge information and education services and products to support its core credentialing programs.

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