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Inspiration, Young Minds, Healthcare Bloom In Fabens

Inspiring young minds toward a career in healthcare can be similar to seeing a new blossom in spring. At a recent event at Fabens High School, futures bloomed and dreams were started, as hundreds of students set their sights on UMC and a career in healthcare.

Associates from UMC participated in the JobCon Texas Workforce Solutions at the school, an event developed to captivate the interest of, and educate, high school students about the high-demand careers that are available in the Borderland.

UMC showcased several departments, including the West Texas Regional Poison Control Center and the Diabetes Management program.

Students were even given an opportunity to dress in scrubs and participate in a virtual reality game, simulating an operating room. The game allowed students to explore different types of procedures and challenged some of their decision-making skills.

“The purpose of UMC having a presence at events such as this is to build a pipeline of future healthcare professionals that hopefully are impacted by the information shared by our Associates,” said Nellie Flores, Student Affiliation Program Administrator. “It is also a great way to market how unique and important our hospital is to the community of El Paso”.

An estimated 750 students, ranging from sophomores to seniors from Fabens, Sierra Blanca, Ft. Hancock, Clint, San Elizario, and Horizon high schools were in attendance. UMC will be present for the next JobCon on Sept. 19 at Epic Railyard Event Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. which will target schools from the west side of El Paso.



Local high school student receiving a participation award from Moses Priego, Manager of Patient Education for the Diabetes Management



Celest Molina (left) and Viola Cedillo (right)

Welcome To Two New Leaders On Our UMC Team

You may have noticed two new smiling faces at UMC recently. They belong to Celest Molina (left), Director of Outpatient Services; and Viola Cedillo (right), Assistant Administrator for Invasive Services.

Both Celest and Viola come with years of experience in healthcare and are enthusiastic about their new opportunities at UMC.

If you see Celest or Viola on campus, please take a moment to welcome them to the UMC Family!

Farewell To Our Friends, Associates As They Retire

UMC recently said farewell to two of our long-serving Associates.

Maria Delgado has retired after 38 years of care in both our Mother Baby and Labor & Delivery departments, and most recently serving as a Lactation Consultant.

When asked what she will miss most about UMC, Maria said, "my UMC family, my whole team and everyone from Mother Baby and L&D."

The Advanced Endoscopy Unit is also losing one of its most experienced nurses as Linda Sanchez retires after 29 years of service to our hospital.

When asked what she will miss most about UMC, she said, "I am going to miss the campus that is full of memories, from the people to the wonderful successes and growth and all the fun along the way."

Both women have touched many lives from patients to visitors and Associates and will be dearly missed. Thank you Linda and Maria for all your hard work and dedication over the years, from everyone at UMC, best wishes on your next journey!



Maria Delgado



Linda Sanchez

New STARS Sparkle At Quarterly Awards Ceremony

UMC recently honored our Quarterly STARS Award winners. Congratulations to STARS Award Recipients Rita Martinez, Art Flores, Linda Aguilar, Jesus Rios and Daniel Martinez.

Rita is an Environmental Service Associate at our Community Clinics. She was recognized for being very dependable, reliable and a great team player.

Art is an Interface Engineer in our Information Systems Department. He was recognized for his hard work. Due to his efforts, UMC and EPCH are now sharing patient data electronically with a network of other providers in El Paso through the health information exchange (HIE).

Linda is a Case Manager for our patients. Linda was recognized for being a dedicated and compassionate Associate who works hard to meet the needs of our patients.

Jesus is a Business Process Specialist in our Performance Improvement Department. He was recognized for his generosity and lending a helping hand to a fellow Associate in a time of need!

Daniel Martinez is a Food Services Associate. He was recognized for being a strong performer who does quality work and always takes initiative in his department.

STARS Associates personify Service, Teamwork, Accountability, Respect and Safety. Thank you to all the STARS Award winners for having a positive impact and making a difference for our patients, visitors and Associates at UMC!

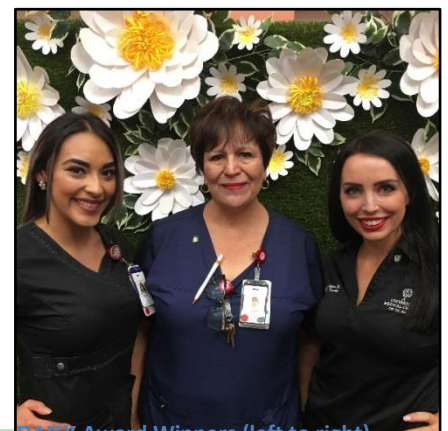


STARS Award Winners (left to right) Rita Martinez, Art Flores, Linda Aguilar and Jesus Rios. Not pictured is Daniel Martinez.

UMC's New DAISY Winners Named

Three nurses were recently recognized for their excellence in compassion and care for our patients at the recent UMC DAISY Awards ceremony in the UMC Cafeteria.

These recipients were nominated by patients who received care at our hospital. UMC is honored to have these exceptional nurses as part of our organization! Congratulations to Claudia Mendoza, Estrellita Hernandez and Jacqueline Mauer.



DAISY Award Winners (left to right) Claudia Mendoza, Estrellita Hernandez and Jacqueline Mauer

Claudia Mendoza, RN from UMC's Emergency Department, was nominated by a patient who said she "took the time to explain what was being done and answered all of my questions. She gave me confidence in UMC and the ER. It is people like her that make the El Paso community great."

Estrellita Hernandez, RN from UMC's Wound Management Department was nominated by a patient's family member who said she "was very helpful and really cares about a patient's needs and feelings. On a scale from one to 10, we give her a 10+."

Jacqueline Mauer, RN from UMC's Emergency Department was nominated by a patient who said she "made my waiting comfortable, I was ready to leave to go to another hospital, but I stayed because of her compassion and care."

DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System, and it was established by the DAISY Foundation in memory of J. Patrick Barnes who died at 33 of an auto-immune disease.

The Pulse:

The Pulse newsletter is a product of the UMC Public Affairs office and features news briefs and updates from around our campus. It is distributed to our El Paso community.

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