

Awards

2013 Nurse of the Year

Sharon Schwarz, MSN, APRN, RN, CDE

MUSC honors the Nurse of the Year by selecting a winner from nominations submitted for nurses employed in any capacity throughout the organization. The winner is honored at the Nurses Week Award Ceremony in May. Here is an excerpt from Schwarz's nomination...

“Schwarz demonstrates MUSC excellence daily concerning her care for patients, teamwork and commitment to upholding MUSC's mission,” said Heather Dolan, BSN, RN. “In my years as a nurse, I have come across many nurses that say, ‘I love what I do,’ but Sharon is the rare exception where I never have to ask if she enjoys being a nurse since it always shows! Her passion for nursing is what inspires me and the nurses she works with every day. Nursing students seek her since she has a passion to teach them. Parents of our patients love her because she treats each patient as if they were her own. We are fortunate to have Sharon as part of our MUSC family, and I think a parent recently explained it best...”

“On March 19, 2012, our 4-year-old daughter was diagnosed with juvenile diabetes. From day one, Sharon has been extremely helpful. She officially became our angel during our journey. She has gone above and beyond the call of duty for our family by walking us through every step with great kindness, intelligence and strength. She made herself available to us over the weekend and made this scary time a bit easier to manage. She will always have a special place in our hearts. We are forever indebted to her service!”



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