

Expertise

Hwajoo Haynes Exemplifies Transformational Leadership



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Hwajoo Haynes, MSN, APRN, RN, ANP-BC, CCTC, is the Lead Heart Transplant Nurse Practitioner for the Heart Transplant and Heart Failure Program. Haynes' practice is driven by providing care to complex patients through a multidisciplinary team approach she finds both rewarding and challenging since heart transplant operation not only changes the lives of patients, but their family members, as well. Being able to provide quality care to these patients is a humbling experience that motivates her daily practice.

Haynes was surrounded by several relatives who practiced medicine while growing up in South Korea. When she was a senior in high school, her father took her to visit her uncle, who was the dean of the medical school, to discuss her aspirations for college. Her uncle informed her about a nursing school that had just opened, and she then decided to pursue an exciting career opportunity in nursing.

Haynes continues to share her knowledge and expertise in the area of post-transplant malignancies with transplant nursing colleagues around the world. She has presented her work at the following meetings:

- 22nd International Transplant Nurses Society (ITNS) Annual Symposium in 2013 in Washington D.C.
- 21st ITNS Annual Symposium in 2012 in Seattle, WA
- 31st International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation (ISHLT) Annual Meeting in 2011 in San Diego, CA
- 12th Congress of Asian Society of Transplantation in 2011 in Seoul, South Korea
- 12th ITNS Annual Symposium in 2003 in Scottsdale, AZ

Haynes continues to seek professional development by visibly representing MUSC on the national and international level through presentations and by serving as an International Transplant Nurses Society (ITNS) Committee Member. Her application to be an abstract reviewer for the 2014 ITNS Annual Symposium was recently accepted leaving her excited about what's ahead.