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Frederick Health Nurse Wins National Award

Frederick, MD (March 16, 2023) – Frederick Health is pleased to announce that Marianne Hiles, a Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) with the healthcare system, was recently named the CNS of the Year by the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists. CNSs are one of four advanced practice Registered Nurse categories. Individuals in this role focus predominantly on patient performance outcomes within the system and the community.

To qualify for this award, Hiles had to demonstrate excellence in three unique categories: implementation of evidence-based quality improvements, advocacy for a particular program (in this case, Women's Health/Perinatal Care,) and involvement with national working groups. On top of these important endeavors, Hiles is also active in legislative efforts to support healthcare and the Frederick community. She has also published several articles and was instrumental in developing the Obstetrical Rapid Response Team. Hiles is also a Clinical Nurse Specialist Institute Fellow.

As part of the award, she recently attended a conference in Portland, Oregon, where she served as the keynote speaker. The presentation, "Leadership in Action," discussed addressing healthcare and maternal health disparities in the community. It was very well received by those in attendance.

"I am so incredibly proud to have been nominated and awarded CNS of the Year. As a CNS, I'm dedicated to improving outcomes for perinatal patients and newborns in the hospital and our Frederick community," said Hiles.

Having Hiles on her team benefits both Frederick Health and women in our community, said Peggy McNeill, the Director of Nursing Quality and Professional Practice with Frederick Health.

"Marianne works diligently for the women and children of this community to ensure the quality of care and patient experiences are outstanding. She is, without a doubt, committed to bringing the best care to patients. Marianne is a passionate champion for nursing and patient safety; I am privileged to be her colleague." McNeill said.

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Frederick Health provides comprehensive healthcare services to the residents of Frederick County. The system includes Frederick Health Hospital, Frederick Health Medical Group, Frederick Health Employer Solutions, Frederick Health Home Care, and Frederick Health Hospice. Frederick Health Medical Group is a multi-specialty practice with more than 100 providers, 18 specialties, and 24 locations across the county. The system has several ambulatory care locations, the freestanding James M Stockman Cancer Institute, three urgent care locations, and the Frederick Health Village. With over 4,500 team members, Frederick Health provides a full spectrum of healthcare and wellness services to support its mission to positively impact the well-being of every individual in our community.

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