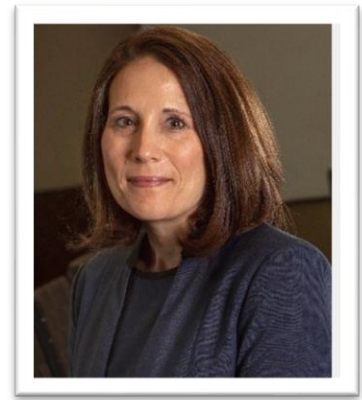


Nurse Recognition Award

J. CEDAR WANG

RN, APN

HOLY NAME MEDICAL CENTER



Cedar Wang is Vice President of Nursing Operations at Holy Name, where she leads and oversees organizational quality and safety initiatives; community outreach and education; simulation learning; palliative and home care services; Holy Name's residential hospice, Villa Marie Claire; and the Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing.

Cedar demonstrates excellence in nursing through both direct and indirect care of individuals. As a nurse practitioner at Holy Name Medical Center, Cedar provides compassionate care to hospice patients at Holy Name's Villa Marie Claire. She places her patients' needs first, and her priority is to make her patients comfortable and pain-free.

Cedar provides excellent indirect care through her leadership of Holy Name's Institute for Simulation Learning and the Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing. One of Cedar's greatest career highlights was receiving a \$5 million grant to launch a healthcare simulation center at Holy Name, which soon became the first accredited center in the state of New Jersey. The simulation center has trained more than 5,000 individuals within the Holy Name community. She is an advocate for both the school and simulation center, ensuring both have the resources they need to be successful within the community. Cedar was also instrumental in starting a nurse residency that helps new graduate nurses successfully transition to clinical practice from nursing school.

During the COVID pandemic, Cedar worked shoulder to shoulder with the staff caring for critical patients. She moved beds, transported patients, and consoled grieving families. She provided compassionate care for both staff and patients during an extremely challenging time. During the height of the pandemic, Cedar worked a stretch of 45 days with just a few days off so she could be with the staff and patients who needed her most.

Cedar's contributions to nursing practice extend beyond the walls of Holy Name to her work as a volunteer for the Haiti Health Promise organization where she assisted with securing grants for the development of a hospital-based simulation center at Holy Name's sister hospital in northern Haiti. Cedar provides guidance and fosters collaboration to ensure Hôpital Sacré Coeur in Milot, Haiti, provides the best in clinical care.

Cedar is always available when needed, provides insightful advice when requested, and is a great mentor. Cedar exemplifies all that is good in nursing and has made significant contributions to the Holy Name community and beyond.

Message from Cedar: Thank you to my Holy Name colleagues who make fulfilling our mission a true delight. Special gratitude goes to my family for their tireless support and enduring patience.