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Associates receive Heart of Hamilton Awards for exceptional acts

DALTON, Ga. (November 14, 2024) – Hamilton Medical Center and Vitruvian Health (formerly Hamilton Health Care System) recently presented the Heart of Hamilton and Hero Awards to associates for acts that exceeded performance expectations.

Recent recipients of the Heart of Hamilton Award were Misti Bowers, Hamilton Hospice director; Maria Barriga, certified medical assistant; Pam Harness, wound care educator; Susan Osborne, Patient Experience director; Rodney Pittman, Public Safety operations supervisor; Rosie Quintero, Diabetes and Endocrinology front office supervisor; and Anna Klinehoffer, licensed practical nurse. Teresa Green, Wound and Hyperbaric Services RN; and Sandra Collins, Hamilton Physician Group – General Surgery practice manager; received the Hamilton Hero Award.

The Heart of Hamilton Award is provided as a way to recognize Hamilton associates or volunteers for actions that truly demonstrate the "Heart of Hamilton" (serving with compassion through professionalism, respect, integrity, diligence and excellence). The Hamilton Hero Award recognizes associates or volunteers when they assist in a life-saving event outside the normal scope of their responsibilities.

Hamilton associates and volunteers can be nominated for the Heart of Hamilton Award at VitruvianHealth.com/heartofhamilton or at one the recognition boxes located around the system. The awards are able to be submitted for individuals or groups.

A Heart of Hamilton Recipient of the Year is chosen from among the top recipient selections throughout the year.

"Hamilton Medical Center and Vitruvian Health focuses on serving with compassion," said Brandon Burge, director of Organizational and Clinical Development. "When associates and volunteers go out of their way to make a difference in the lives of patients, family members, guests or other associates and volunteers, Vitruvian Health is committed to recognizing their extraordinary actions."

Photos

HOH-photo1: Recent Heart of Hamilton Award recipients are pictured with Hamilton Medical Center representatives. From left are Misti Bowers, award recipient; Rodney Pittman, award recipient; Jerry Tatum, Public Safety director; Sandy McKenzie, Hamilton Medical Center president and CEO; Maria Barriga, award recipient; Pam Harness, award recipient; and Terri Woodruff, Physician Services executive director.

HOH-Hero: Recent Heart of Hamilton and Hero award recipients are pictured with Hamilton Medical Center representatives. From left are Judean Guinn, vice president and chief nursing officer; Susan Osborne, Heart of Hamilton Award recipient; Sandy McKenzie, Hamilton Medical Center president and CEO; Teresa Green, Hero Award recipient; Jeff Hughes, Cardiovascular service line administrator; Sandra Collins, Hero Award recipient; and Terri Woodruff, Physician Services executive director.

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