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## **ELLIOT HEALTH SYSTEM HONORS 24 NURSES FOR EXCELLENCE**

Manchester, NH: Compassionate care is reason enough to celebrate each of the more than 1,000 nurses within Elliot Health System, but 24 recently earned special honors for their extraordinary commitment and skill. Nominated by their fellow nurses, physicians and coworkers, they represent four categories: Passion for Nursing, Expert Preceptor (teacher/mentor), Notable Novice and Critical Clinical Support:

### **Passion for Nursing**

Sue Plante, RN  
Yvonne Carroccino, RN, CC  
Diana Shirlock, RN, CEN  
Denise Mattucci, RN  
Joanne Morse, RNC-LRN, RNC-OB, EFM  
Simone Huot, RN  
Laure Coidakis, RN  
Donna Conley, RN  
Cindy Andrikowich, RN

Medical Surgical Services  
Critical Care  
Emergency Services  
Behavioral Health  
Women's & Children's Health  
Perioperative Services  
Elliot On-Call  
VNA of Manchester & So. NH  
Elliot Physician Services

### **Expert Preceptor**

Carolee Strafford, RN  
Karen Klinger, RN  
Heather Brander, RN  
Deborah Desfosses, RN  
Laurie Phillips, RN  
Alicia Lussier, RN

Medical Surgical Services  
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### **Notable Novice**

Amy Brennan, RN  
Johanne Laflamme, RN  
Christine Paglierani, RN  
Katie Lemieux, RN

Medical Surgical Services  
Critical Care  
Behavioral Health Services  
Perioperative Services

### **Critical Clinical Support**

Kate Whittemore, RN  
Kathryn Casey, RN  
Stephanie Joyce, RN  
Bryan Fisher, RN  
Martha Leighton, MS, RNC  
Meredith Dix, RN

Medical Surgical Services  
Medical Surgical Services  
Critical Care  
Behavioral Health Services  
Women's & Children's Health  
Information Technology

### ***Elliot Nursing Awards continued...***

Elliot presents Nursing Spotlight Awards each year in honor of Nurses Week when nurses are celebrated across the country. The Elliot Medical staff showed their appreciation for the dedication and hard work of all Elliot nurses by donating five \$1,000 scholarships, awarded to nurses interested in pursuing further education and certification in their specialties.

**Pictured:** 2010 Spotlight Award Winners



### **EHS Nursing Scholarship Award Recipients**



**Pictured L to R:** Amber Simoneau, RN, Maternity Unit, Michelle Kleiner, RN, CCE, Maternity Unit, Kathleen Brown, RN, Fitch Unit, Peter G. Kachavos, MD, Medical Staff President, Christine Villeneuve, RN, Infection Control and Rose Gagnon, RN Fuller Unit.

*Elliot Health System is a non-profit organization serving your healthcare needs since 1890. The largest provider of comprehensive healthcare services in Southern New Hampshire, Elliot Hospital, a 296-bed acute care facility and the first community hospital in the state, serves as the cornerstone of the health system. Elliot is home to Manchester's designated Regional Trauma Center and Pediatric Emergency Department, Elliot Breast Health Center, Elliot Urgent Care, a Level 3 Newborn Intensive Care Unit, Elliot Physician Network, Elliot Regional Cancer Center, the Elliot Senior Health Center, Visiting Nurse Association of Manchester and Southern New Hampshire and Elliot 1-Day Surgery Center. For more information on any of Elliot's services, call Elliot On-Call at 663-4567 or visit [www.elliotohospital.org](http://www.elliotohospital.org).*

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