
NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS INAUGURAL PINNING CEREMONY

Spring 2019



UNIVERSITY OF THE BAHAMAS
North

*Friday, 24th May 2019, 2:00 p.m.
Community at Heart Tabernacle
Coral Road
Freeport, Grand Bahama
The Bahamas*

“Never Give Up: The Pathway To Success Begins With Me”

GUEST SPEAKER

Ms. Yvonne Clarke

Senior Nursing Officer

Grand Bahama Health Services

Mrs. Yvonne Clarke is currently employed by the Public Hospitals Authority as Senior Nursing Officer (SNO). She is a caring, dedicated and compassionate leader who is committed to improving the quality of healthcare for clients, colleagues and the community.

Mrs. Clarke began her career as a Trained Clinical Nurse. Having served as an exemplary clinician for nearly a decade, she obtained a license from the Bahamas Council of Nursing to practice as a Registered Nurse in 1989 and a Registered Midwife in 2000. She holds an Associate Degree in Management from The College of The Bahamas, now University of The Bahamas, a Diploma in Public Health and a Master's Degree in Public Health. She has also completed advanced studies in Leadership and Management from the University of Washington.

SNO Clarke's wealth of knowledge and experience have enabled her to serve as co-manager of the Community Health Clinics. This model health care delivery system that covers Grand Bahama and the neighbouring Cays has become the prototype for health delivery in the Caribbean. SNO Clarke's many responsibilities included school nursing, occupational health, surveillance and prevention of chronic non-communicable diseases and the expanded programme on immunization. Expert supervision like SNO Clarke's caused Grand Bahama to exceed the national target immunization coverage rate of 95% to 97% in 2018. Her supervisory skills are grounded in Fayol's principle of management and Orlando's systematic scientific method of inquiry, the nursing process. Combining research and practice, SNO Clarke willingly embraced her expanded role as Healthy Lifestyle Coordinator/Health Education and Promotion Officer, Grand Bahama Health Services. This platform afforded her the opportunity to implement the Public Hospitals Pillars of Excellence through Community Relations.

SNO Clarke believes in standards, ethics and professionalism. Since 1997 she has been a member of the International Council of Nurses and, from 2012 to 2017, she served as Chairperson for the Nurses Association Commonwealth of The Bahamas Grand Bahama Branch. She has attended numerous international nursing conferences and, in 2016, made her imprint as a voting delegate for The Bahamas at the Caribbean Nurses Association in Antigua.

SNO Clarke's excellence in service has justifiably qualified her to capture the outstanding award in each level of her nursing practice. These include the Public Hospitals Authority Star Employee 2007-2009 and The Nurses Association of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas Zenith Award for Advancement of the Nursing Profession & National Development in 2017.

Mrs. Clarke is a licensed Minister with the Assemblies of God in the Bahamas and the Turks & Caicos Islands. She serves in various capacities including District Director Women's Ministry, Grand Bahama, and Sunday School Teacher for Calvary Temple Church. She is well known throughout the Grand Bahama community, and by extension the Northern Bahamas, as an advocate for peace, justice and equity. As a mother and community helper, she volunteers her service selflessly for the glory and honour of God. Her mission is to influence, inspire and motivate individuals to find Divine purpose.

ORDER OF CEREMONY

MODERATOR

Lyndette Curtis
Nursing Officer 2
Grand Bahama Health Services

PROCESSION OF CANDIDATES

National Anthem
Led by Kellyyander Morris
Registered Nurse, Grand Bahama
Health Services

INVOCATION

Allinneicia Mitchell
Graduate
Certificate, Trained Clinical Nurse

WELCOME

Dr. Ian Strachan
Vice President, UB-North

REMARKS

Leah Rolle
Assistant Professor/Chair
Nursing and Allied Health Professions

REMARKS

Dr. Carlton Watson
Dean, Faculty Pure and Applied
Sciences

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Kendle Hall
Graduate
Certificate, Trained Clinical Nurse

ADDRESS

Yvonne Clarke
Senior Nursing Officer, PHA

MUSICAL SELECTION

Ronald Dames
Adjunct Faculty, UB-North

RESPONSE

Tina Dean
Bachelor of Science, Nursing

SIGNIFICANCE OF PIN

Candace Rolle & Corey Stubbs
Graduates, Certificate, Trained
Clinical Nurse

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Dr. Peter McWilliam
Dean of Faculty, UB-North

PINNING OF CANDIDATES

Leah Rolle
Chair, Nursing and Allied Health

Terry Campbell
Head of Department

Dr. Christine Higgs
Programme Coordinator

NURSE'S PLEDGE

Graduands
Graduates

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Thea Adderley & Stephanie Jonas
Graduates, Certificate, Trained
Clinical Nurse

VOTE OF THANKS

Bernice Geffrard
Graduate
Certificate, Trained Clinical Nurse

RECESSIONAL

CANDIDATES FOR PINNING

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, NURSING

Dean, Tina

CERTIFICATE, TRAINED CLINICAL NURSE

ADDERLY, Thea S.

ARMBRISTER, Danielle A.

BAIN, Tara J.

BOWE, Sherelle L.

GRANT, Claudia V

HALL, Kendle K. (nee Stuart)

HUMES, Indera W.

JEAN-BAPTISTE, Deandra D.

JOHNSON, Deveney S.

JONAS, Stephanie

JONES, Jasmine C.

MITCHELL, Allinneicia D.

POWELL, Rameka L.

ROLLE, Alesha M.

ROLLE, Candace S.

RUSSELL, Neron A.

SIMMS, Samantha A.

SMITH, Natasha S.

STUBBS, Corey D.

NURSES PLEDGE

In full knowledge of the obligations I am undertaking, I promise to promote health with all the knowledge, skills and understanding I possess without regard to race, creed, colour, politics and social status, sparing no efforts to conserve life, to care for the sick and alleviate suffering.

I will respect at all times, the dignity and religious beliefs of the patient under my care, holding in confidence all personal information entrusted to me and refraining from any action which may endanger life or health.

I will do my utmost to uphold the International Code of Nursing Ethics and to uphold the integrity of the nurse.

SPRING 2019 NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH COMMITTEE

Dr. Teo Cooper

Dr. Christine Higgs

Mrs. Veronica Poitier

Mrs. Maggie Turner

