

Celebrate

Women's History Month



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3 years of service
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Who's inspired you in your healthcare journey?

I was inspired by a nurse named Sharon Carey. She was one of a few African American leaders at the facility and I had the honor of working on her unit. I saw the way she cared for her patients and her team. This was the first time I realize how much representation matters. Looking at her helped me realize that I could go to school and advance into management as well. We would have long conversations about my future, and she would encourage me daily to further my career. I appreciate the time she took to invest and encourage myself and others. I now use my story and background to inspire and encourage others also. When telling my story, I explain that I was once a CNA and am now a Sr. Director at Touro, and if I did it, you can too.

What are you most proud of in terms of contributions to healthcare?

I am very proud to have had the opportunity of opening two brand new facilities Methodist Mansfield Hospital, Texas and New Orleans East Hospital, New Orleans, and being able to establish quality healthcare in areas that are underserved was a true blessing to me.