

Celebrate



Women's History Month



Philomene Allain

Pharmacist

11 years of service
Touro

Who's inspired you in your healthcare journey?

My healthcare journey started when I was a child, I knew I wanted a career in healthcare because I wanted to help those who needed care the most. I started my career in retail pharmacy and after 25 years at Walgreens, I felt it was time to utilize my skills in a hospital. It was a tough decision and not an easy task to change my career after 25 years. I inherited my drive to help others from my mother, who worked 45 years with the government and didn't want to retire! I owe a lot of gratitude to my mentor in hospital pharmacy, Roxanne Doley, who has been a pharmacist at Touro for over 30 years. Roxanne knew it would be difficult to transition a retail pharmacist to a hospital, but she had faith in me, which motivated me to continue to learn and do better. Roxanne is the most knowledgeable pharmacist I have ever met, as well as the most patient teacher. I never once regretted my decision to change career paths and I'm so humble and grateful to serve my patients. Thank you, Roxanne, for inspiring me to be the best pharmacist that I can be and to have the confidence to do so!

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

I am most proud of my compassion and empathy, which has served me greatly as a pharmacist because I always go the extra mile. I'm also proud of the free diabetes clinics at the library, where we educate patients about diabetes management. I enjoy teaching and empowering patients with diabetes to better manage and improve their health. As a hospital pharmacist, I'm an integral part of a compassionate team of providers, who strive for the best outcomes for our patients. I see each patient as a member of my family and their care is of utmost importance. I'm currently continuing my education to become a board-certified geriatric pharmacist. I am humbled and grateful to have the opportunity to provide this care.