

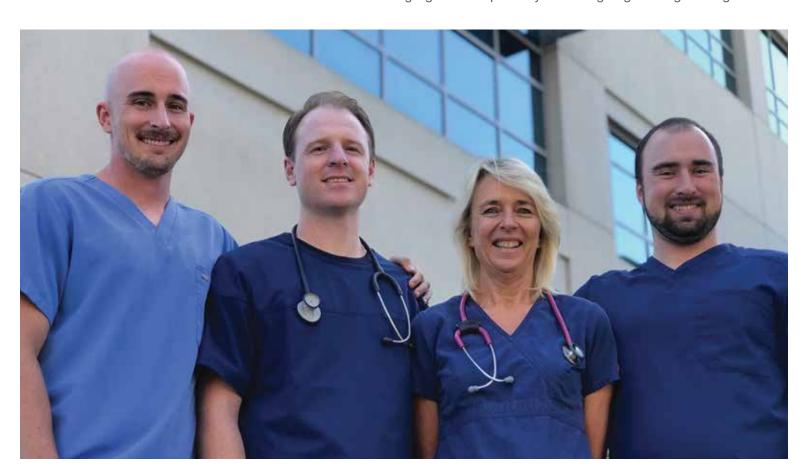
**NURSING** 

# Your Support Made a Difference

2018 REPORT TO DONORS

Nurses are the heroes of the health care system, the core of good medicine. We are proud that our compassionate and dedicated nurses are the heart of Hoag. In a rapidly changing health care landscape, your support has assisted Hoag nurses to become well-prepared as they assume broader roles. They are equipped to serve increasing numbers of patients, an aging population and a projected shortage of physicians. Our exceptionally well-educated nurses, supported by our forward-thinking donors, are making Hoag's ambitious nursing goals a reality.

In 2018, Hoag nurses continued to focus on excellence in patient care and on preparing for Hoag's fourth Magnet® redesignation in 2019. Your gifts assist Hoag in continuing to enhance our nursing care through supporting our nurses in advancing their knowledge and education. This report highlights the impact of your 2018 giving to Hoag Nursing.



# Preparing Today's Nurses for Tomorrow's Health Care Needs

Continuing nursing education is absolutely critical for compliance with industry standards and excellent patient care for our community. Donor funded scholarships provide the means for Hoag's nurses to maintain their professional leading edge and for the standards of care to remain at their highest level, both now and in the future.

Thanks to Julia and George Argyros, who through their commitment to education established the Julia Argyros Center for Nursing Excellence at Hoag, and many other generous donors, 77% of our nurses have earned advanced degrees and certifications that equip them to maintain their professional edge. With over 300 nurses currently working toward earning their advanced degrees, philanthropy provides opportunities for our working nurses to become leaders in their fields and deliver safe, high quality patient care.



## Hoag has been a prestigious Magnet<sup>®</sup> designated hospital since 2005.

A Magnet® designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) is the highest distinction and most prestigious honor for nursing excellence that a hospital can achieve. It represents exceptional nurses delivering best-in-class patient care. Hospitals bearing this distinction report greater patient outcomes, better job satisfaction and higher nursing retention rates. And, with only 8% of U.S. hospitals earning the Magnet® designation, it clearly places all Magnet®-recognized hospitals above the rest.

In 2010, the National Academy of Medicine mandated that hospitals meet a rate of 80 percent of nurses with advanced degrees by 2020 as a minimum requirement to renew Magnet® status. With the assistance of visionary donors, Hoag is on track to meet that lofty standard, proving our commitment to deliver the best national quality of nursing care.

We are deeply grateful to our generous donor community who partners with us to ensure Hoag continues to hold this important distinction.

## **Hoag Nursing Numbers-at-a-Glance**



\$1.49M

went to fund nursing scholarships in 2018



77% of Hoag nurses hold a BSN or higher



2,318 Scholarships

awarded since launch of Choose Nursing, Choose Hoag in 2004



298 Scholarships

awarded to Hoag nurses in 2018



14% More Nurses

hold advanced degrees at Hoag than at other Magnet hospitals



\$350K

went to fund professorships and on-site education in partnership with CSULB within the Marion Knott Nursing Education Center



14 Years

Hoag has had Magnet® status signifying nursing excellence









In April 2018, philanthropist Julia Argyros joined us to celebrate Nurses Day at Hoag Hospital Irvine. We are incredibly grateful for her ongoing commitment and generous support to ensure we develop, attract and retain the best and brightest nurses.





## **Celebrating Nurse of the Year: Judy Kidd**

Fifty years of caring. Fifty years of clinical excellence. And a lifetime of dedication to her patients. That's Judy Kidd, BSN, RN, a perioperative services nurse selected as Hoag's 2018 Nurse of the Year. Over the course of five decades, she has touched the lives of so many under her care as well as those of her colleagues.

Working for the last decade at Hoag, Judy was chosen for her excellence both as a nurse and as a teacher to her fellow nurses. Judy generously imparts her expert knowledge and models the best traits of a surgical nursing professional. She turned her expertise in the field into educational opportunities for nurses who share her passion for the operating room. A Hoag nursing scholarship recipient, Judy is respected by her colleagues for her commitment to all aspects of nursing education and is admired for her high professional standards.

"We are honored to recognize Judy Kidd as our Nurse of the Year," said Rick Martin, EdD, MSN, RN, senior vice president, clinical operations and chief nursing officer of Hoag. "Judy reflects the caring, hardworking and supportive qualities we see on a daily basis from our incredible team of RNs at Hoag."

### Hoag's Miracle Man

Rick Sherman was cleared for a fishing trip to Hawaii two months after Hoag surgeons removed the lymph nodes from his right arm pit. At the time, Rick had undergone one of three life-saving procedures after being diagnosed with metastatic melanoma in 2016. Life was good and, after a 40-year legal career, avid fisherman Rick was ready to enjoy one of his favorite sports. But, nine days after he returned home from Hawaii, he was back at Hoag facing his greatest challenge yet.

#### **A Rare Procedure**

When Rick arrived at the Fimiano Emergency Pavilion, doctors discovered a complication from Streptococcus pneumoniae. After a series of bronchoscopies, a surgical team led by Daryl P. Pearlstein, MD, and Brian Dickinson, MD, performed a right thoracotomy with an Eloesser flap. "It is an extremely rare procedure," Rick says. "But these doctors knew of it and, thanks to their knowledge and skill, they saved my life."

The 21 days he spent in the hospital were some of his darkest moments. The pain and frustration of being back in the hospital tested his spirit. There were some close calls, but the nursing team's vigilance and attention pulled him through. They also made every effort to ensure the comfort of his family, who spent nights at his bedside.

"Sometimes, institutions focus more on the body than the rest of the person," he says. "Hoag nurses and the doctors went out of their way to keep my spirits up. Thanks to them, I can spend extra time with my children and enjoy my life."



#### **Giving Back in Gratitude**

Rick Sherman's experiences as a Hoag patient reinforce his drive to serve as a volunteer leader. In 2016, his good friend and neighbor, Jim Coufos, a long-time Hoag donor and volunteer leader, asked if Rick had any interest in supporting Hoag. Rick's answer was an emphatic 'yes' and he joined the Hoag Family Cancer Institute Campaign Advisory Committee. Although he has firsthand experience with the surgeons, nurses and advanced technologies and facilities, he enjoys learning all the ways Hoag is growing its programs and services.

He also made a generous gift to Hoag in gratitude for the outstanding care he experienced.

"We are blessed to have Hoag," he says. "I'm proof that miracles can happen, especially at Hoag!"

In November 2018, Hoag celebrated its nurse scholars — and the donors who support them in meeting their educational goals.

The event was the fourteenth annual *Choose Nursing, Choose Hoag* luncheon at the Balboa Bay Resort, and the purpose was to honor the Hoag nurse scholars who dedicate themselves to nursing excellence along with the generous donors who make their continuing education a reality.

Hoag Hospital Foundation recognized Joan and Andy Fimiano with the 2018 *Choose Nursing, Choose Hoag* Hall of Fame award. The Fimianos have made transformational gifts to advance care at Hoag, including establishing two endowed nursing scholarships in Emergency Department Nursing and Orthopedic Nursing. Their support has directly translated to providing community access to the finest nursing care available.

Many thanks to our dedicated nurses and to all of our generous donors who are supporting Hoag in providing exceptional nursing care for the benefit of all in the communities we serve.

### Choose Nursing, Choose Hoag



## Nursing Is the Champieux Family Business

Lori Champieux is proof that it's never too late to follow your dreams. She always wanted to become a nurse, but her career path took a different direction — and then she became busy raising three boys. Many years later while on vacation, her sons urged her to chase that long-held dream. So, after nearly three decades, Lori found herself back in school, making her dream a reality. It was a bold decision and one that would change everything for her family.

Lori soon landed her dream job at Hoag. Her enthusiasm for her new career and for her employer made quite an impression on her three sons. Before long, oldest son Mason applied to nursing school. Younger siblings Kyle and Trevor, who both received Hoag nursing scholarships, followed in their mother's and brother's footsteps. "Thanks to the generosity of Hoag donors, nursing is our family business," laughs Lori.

The Champieux brothers love serving patients at Hoag as much as their mom does. Mason and Trevor both work in cardiac telemetry. Mason works days, while his youngest brother works nights. Kyle and Lori carpool to work. Both in the MedSurg department, Kyle is known

to greet Lori with a hug and a "Hi Mom" when they cross paths. Kyle notes that, as a nurse, "You've gotta have a big heart — being in the hospital can be scary for patients and their families."

Mom Lori is proud of how compassionate they all are. One patient shared with Lori how amazing the night nurse on the previous shift had been. Beaming, Lori could not resist sharing that the night nurse was Kyle, her son.

When recently asked about the main ingredient of a good nurse, the four Champieuxs eagerly shared the positive traits that they feel contribute to Hoag's standard of excellence in patient care: kindness, empathy and a good sense of humor. But for the Champieux family, they all agreed on what lies at the heart of good nursing — compassion. To them, that includes the compassion of our donor community that supports Hoag nurses—for which the Champieuxs are all very grateful.

### Thank you

Thanks to the generous donor support of Hoag Nursing, we continue to lead the way in nursing excellence and delivering exceptional health care to the community.

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