

Top 10 nurses go above and beyond 'just doing their jobs'

In celebration of National Nurses Week May 6-12, the San Antonio Express-News highlights these extraordinary nurses who were chosen from nominations submitted by colleagues, patients, family and friends.



Magda Borrego, RN, CCM WellMed Medical Management

Magda has been a nurse for more than 20 years and joined WellMed more than five years ago as a case manager, according to the colleague who nominated her.

"In 2013, she helped to create the new WellMed Palliative Care program, growing the program from an enrollment of 52 in year one to more than 3,000 in year four (2016)," said her nominator.

"Her patients are quite frail and, therefore, she is required to tend to them in the comfort of their homes,

bringing a high-tech, high-touch nursing program to the most-needy patients. She is caring and thoughtful and goes above and beyond for her patients every day," her nominator said.

"Beyond the day-to-day patient care, she mentors all of our nurses throughout the WellMed Palliative Care program and has set up an orientation and curriculum to ensure all are trained to set standards. She is an inspiring teacher and travels around the WellMed Enterprise mentoring RNs in end-of-life symptom management and goal concordant care.

"Magda is truly an amazing nurse, both for our patients and for an entire cadre of nurses."