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Baptist Health Care Honors 2023 Legends

PENSACOLA, Fla. (May 14, 2024) – Baptist Health Care honors its 2023 Legends during Hospital Week. Through careful selection, Legends of Baptist Health Care are chosen for demonstrating exemplary actions of the Baptist values of ownership, integrity, compassion, excellence and service.

The 2023 Legends of Baptist Health Care are:

- Kim Ard, R.N., assisted a person involved in a bicycle accident. She personally made sure he received medical attention and visited and brought him gifts during his hospital stay.
- Moira Johansen, R.N., administered CPR to a woman who had fallen unconscious in a parking lot and attended to her until EMS arrived.
- Cheryl Locke, a registrar, helped a patient with physical limitations unpack and organize her belongings in her new home.
- Marie Masters, a pharmacy technician, supported a family that had lost a loved one and helped one of the family members secure a Habitat Home.
- Kathy Saldana, patient experience advisor, collaborated with members of her church to create ministries to lift up and unite others.

A 14-person selection committee reviewed each nomination submitted by employee leaders and fellow team members. Votes were cast for the most compelling examples of Baptist values. Winners were recognized during Baptist's 2024 National Hospital Week celebrations.

This marks the 25th year Baptist has recognized team members as Legends. More than 224 individuals have been honored. In 2021, the entire Baptist Health Care workforce was recognized as Legends for their tremendous commitment during the pandemic to patients, the community and each other. This year's Legend stories and a video showcasing each person can be found at eBaptistHealthCare.org/Legends.

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Photos attached.

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About Baptist Health Care

Baptist Health Care is a not-for-profit health care organization based in Northwest Florida that is committed to helping people throughout life's journey. Baptist continuously strives to be a national leader in quality and service.

Baptist Health Care includes three hospitals, four medical parks, Andrews Institute for Orthopaedics & Sports Medicine and a large network of primary care and specialty physicians. Baptist Health Care is one of the largest non-governmental employers in Northwest Florida.

- Baptist Health Care • Baptist Hospital • Gulf Breeze Hospital • Jay Hospital*
- Baptist Medical Parks Airport, Nine Mile, Navarre and Pace • Andrews Institute • Baptist Medical Group*
- Baptist Heart & Vascular Institute • Baptist Health Care Foundation*