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Vivianna Carter BSN, RN, TNS, TCRN



I graduated from Saint Louis University School of Nursing with my BSN and was inducted into the Delta Lambda at-Large Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing in 2017. I gave the keynote speech for the following year's inductees.

I began working at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital as a Registered Nurse in the Emergency Department (ED) in 2017. I am a clinical nurse and designated trauma preceptor. I am a Trauma Nurse Specialist (TNS) through the state of Illinois, and a Trauma Certified Registered Nurse (TCRN) through the BCEN. Other certifications include PALS, TNCC, ENPC, and CPI. I am a member of the ED's Unit Practice Council (UPC), ensuring use of up-to-date, evidence-based practice in emergency and trauma care, and promoting consistency of quality and safety for all ED staff roles. I am the Co-Chair of our ED's Trauma Champion Committee. I am a member of the Care for Caregivers Staff Support Group whose function is to provide additional emotional support for staff in emotionally intense situations and advocate for positive staff member mental health to reduce burnout and maintain safe practice in the work environment. I am a member of the Society of Pediatric Nurses' Chapter Support and Development Committee as a Regional Liaison, where I assume responsibility for providing support to the South Central Region of the United States to include chapters in Texas, including in Dallas, Fort Worth, and North Central Texas as well as Coastal Virginia and Southwest Florida. I am also a member of the Emergency Nurses Association's Quality and Safety Advisory Council, the Dermatology Nurses Association's Education Advisory Committee, the Ohio Nurses Association's Caucus on Advancing Nursing Education, and the planning committee for the National Trauma Awareness Month in 2021. I've had the opportunity to author an article titled

"Nurse Educator Workload Survey" in the Ohio Nurses Review, and I collaborated with other professionals in Pediatric Nursing as a contributor to the following publication: "Chapter 2: Influences on Child Health" for the textbook Primary Care Pediatrics for the Nurse Practitioner (1st Edition) published by Springer Publishing Company. Both were published June 2021. I am also a peer reviewer for the Journal of the Dermatology Nurses Association. Additionally in 2021, I was a nominee for the Nancy Fedak Ross Exceptional Nurse of the Year Award. I am pursuing an MHA degree through Webster University and will graduate in 2024. Sigma's mission and vision include developing nursing leaders and fostering connections between them to advance the nursing profession. If elected to a Sigma position, I would like to achieve new memberships, retain existing memberships, and increase participation by supporting new emerging professional members. I believe that promoting individual nurse satisfaction and maintaining or expanding the number of active nurses in the workforce will improve the nursing profession in its entirety.