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Baptist Hospital Nurse Sergio Torres, R.N., Presented DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses

PENSACOLA, Fla. (Sept. 10, 2020) – Sergio Torres, R.N., a nurse in the Baptist Hospital cardiovascular intensive care unit (CVICU), has been honored with the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses.

Torres' nomination came from a fellow nurse who has not only worked alongside him, but also experienced Torres' dedication to his patients when he cared for one of her family members. She included these remarks in her nomination: "I've had the opportunity to interact with nurses from all the floors and units. I believe we are lucky to have some of the best people in our field working here [at Baptist.]. He is such a great role model for new nurses and a reminder of what nursing truly is about for those of us that have been around for a while."

The DAISY Award is part of a national merit-based recognition program established by the DAISY Foundation that celebrates the education, training and skill that nurses put into their work every day and, especially, the devoted care they give their patients. Nominations can be submitted by patients, families, physicians and colleagues. Names from nominations are removed so that they are anonymous before being reviewed by a selection committee. One nurse is then chosen as the DAISY Award winner. DAISY Awards are presented on a regular basis, usually monthly or quarterly.

"The DAISY Award serves as another important way for Baptist Health Care to ensure that our nursing team members receive recognition and praise for the remarkable work that they do every day," said BHC Vice President and System Chief Nursing Officer Cynde Gamache, DBA, R.N., NEA-BC. "We are very appreciative that the DAISY Foundation has created a meaningful award program that honors the tender acts of human compassion that can sometimes go unnoticed but can leave an enduring imprint on the heart and soul of another human being."

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