

Memo

To: Salem Health Physicians

From: Sarah Horn, Senior Vice President, Chief Nursing & Clinical Operations Officer

Date: March 28, 2022

Re: National Doctors Day

Message:

Every year, March 30 is earmarked to celebrate the significant influence doctors have on the restoration of health and well-being. While this year is no different, on behalf of all the nurses at Salem Health, we would be remiss to not recognize and thank you for the influence you have had on our very own health and well-being. Thank you for the contributions you make both professionally and personally to the health care profession, our patients and to us. We are deeply grateful to our physician heroes for your tireless efforts during these long pandemic years. We wouldn't have wanted to endure these trying times alongside anyone else, and we are so fortunate we can lean on your strength and leadership in these unprecedented times.

This year's national theme is "Thank You for the Hope and Leadership" and couldn't be more fitting of a message from us to you. The COVID-19 pandemic has once again reminded us of the contributions and sacrifices made by you. You work tirelessly to shape our lives every day, and it's why so many people, us included, call you heroes. You have always risen to new challenges and the past year has challenged the health care profession like never before. With courage and compassion, you have worked nonstop, sacrificing time with loved ones, to keep our patients and us safe, often putting your own safety and health at risk, and that of your families and loved ones.

Thank you for sharing in our deepest joys and sorrows, providing guidance, care and empathy to our patients and us. You have been the calm in our crisis and the courage in times of fear. On behalf of the entire nursing team, we would like to extend our appreciation for your compassion, professionalism and dedication. We admire your leadership, collaborative attitude, and partnership towards our common goal of providing exceptional care and positive experiences for our patients.

Although March 30 is the "official" day of recognition, we want you to know how much you are appreciated every day of the year for the gift of health and wellness you give to our communities, families, loved ones, and us. Today, and every day, we are your biggest fans and we thank you!