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EXCELA HEALTH CELEBRATES CERTIFIED NURSES DAY MARCH 19 HONORING 137 BOARD CERTIFIED NURSES ON ITS STAFF

GREENSBURG, PA, March 18, 2014 ... Excelsa Health is celebrating Certified Nurses Day, March 19, by honoring its board certified nurses. The health system recognized 137 nurses for their professionalism, leadership and commitment to excellence in patient care.

“A hallmark of quality and competence, board certification is not just a personal accomplishment. It is an investment in exceptional clinical practice and the overall image of nursing and contributes to the health and well-being of every life our nurses touch,” said Helen Burns, Excelsa Health’s Chief Nursing Officer.

Board certification of nurses plays an increasingly important role in the assurance of high standards of care for patients and their loved ones.

“While a license is required for a nurse to enter general practice, certification is voluntary and demonstrates a personal commitment to continuing education and competency,” added Burns.

Excelsa Health encourages professional development for all its nurses and provides support to these frontline caregivers seeking to deepen their skills.

There are many nursing certification specialties such medical-surgical, pediatric, pain management, cardiac vascular, oncology, hospice, case management, emergency nursing and critical care among others. Many nursing certification bodies exist to serve the full range of specialized nursing care offered in the contemporary health care system; national nurse-certifying bodies should be accredited by either the American Board of Nursing Specialties (ABNS) or the National Organization for Competence Assurance (NOCA), or both.

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