

## LA ROCHE UNIVERSITY 2020 DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI CIRCLE AWARD RECIPIENT



Patricia Meyer-Battiston '97, '00, DNP Nurse Practitioner Supervisor UPMC Passavant

Patricia Meyer '97 is a licensed nurse practitioner supervisor for UPMC Passavant, where she has become a mentor for her team and other nursing staff. Since 2001 she has shared her talent with UPMC St. Margaret Hospital, Community Care Plus, UPMC Absolute Primary Care and Behm Family Practice.

As a nurse practitioner supervisor, Ms. Meyer is responsible for the implementation and development of a unit-based nurse practitioner service on

UPMC Passavant's main campus. Within this service she has developed a quality monitoring program, an orientation process and coordinates onsite advanced practice educational opportunities. She mentors her team through project work and facilitates collaboration between her team and other nursing departments and through council structures.

Ms. Meyer received her bachelor's and master's degrees from La Roche in 1997 and 2000. She said La Roche allowed her to grow as a leader and inspire others who are up-and-coming within the nursing field.

"La Roche's philosophy of lifelong learning has empowered me to grow in my career as a leader within Passavant, and within my nurse practitioner community as president of Nurse Practitioner Association of Southwestern Pennsylvania," Ms. Meyer said. "This inherited passion for learning, and its importance to nurse practitioner practice and leadership, is a value that I share with up-and-coming future nurse practitioners and future nurse practitioner leaders."

Ms. Meyer received her doctorate in nursing in 2014 from Robert Morris University and her post-master's degree as an adult gerontology acute care nurse practitioner in 2016 from The University of Pennsylvania. She holds three American Nurses Credentialing Center certifications: adult gerontological nurse practitioner, nurse executive and family nurse practitioner. Ms. Meyer also won the 2015 UPMC ACE Award in 2015.

