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**Chief Nursing Officer at West Florida Healthcare Earns  
Doctor in Nursing Practice Degree**

August 8, 2016 (Pensacola, FL) – West Florida Healthcare is proud to announce that **Karen White-Trevino**, Senior Vice President of Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer for the all private room facility, has earned a Doctor in Nursing Practice degree from the University of South Alabama in Mobile. The Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) is a professional degree designed to prepare graduates to provide the most advanced level of nursing care for individuals and communities.

“We are extremely proud of Karen’s outstanding achievement,” said Brian P. Baumgardner, President and CEO. “Earning this advanced degree is a testament to her dedication to the nursing profession and her commitment to ensuring that the level of care we provide our patients is second to none.”

White-Trevino has served in her current role at West Florida Healthcare since 2011 where she provides clinical leadership and directs a wide range of nursing practices that focus on quality and patient safety. In addition, she is responsible for the continued growth of specific service lines within the organization.



In addition to her doctorate degree, White-Trevino holds a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from the University of Rhode Island and a Master of Science degree in nursing from Texas A&M Corpus Christi.

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White-Trevino began her professional career in 1981 in Rhode Island at South County Hospital in Wakefield. Shortly after, she relocated to south Texas where she worked on a neuroscience unit at Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen. She later served as Associate Director of Nursing at DeTar Hospital in Victoria, Texas. After relocating to Pensacola in 1992, she joined the West Florida Healthcare team as a staff nurse on the neurology unit. That same year, she was promoted to Director of Case Management and in 2001 she was named Assistant Chief Nursing Officer.

White-Trevino currently serves on the Nursing Advisory Council at the University of South Alabama, Nursing Advisory Council at Pensacola State University, University of West Florida Department of Public Health, Clinical, and Health Sciences Advisory Committee and Sigma Theta Tau – Upsilon Kappa Chapter.

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