

Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence



Julie Blankenship
Doernbecher Operating Room

Marla Matar from Anesthesiology submitted the following nomination...

Tonight, I witnessed yet another act of human kindness by our wonderful Doernbecher Operating Room (OR) technician, Julie. Although our daily work in a pediatric operating room setting can be emotionally challenging, we were preparing for a particularly overwhelming case. I was in the OR setting up when I saw Julie appear. I knew she was not on call so asked why she had come to the OR. She said she wanted to help the on-call tech who she knew had never done one of these cases before and was having a hard time emotionally dealing with having to scrub for the case. No one asked her to come in. She chose to do it on her own. She has gone WAY beyond the call of duty giving up her Friday night into Saturday morning to help someone in need. Julie is one of the most compassionate, unselfish human beings I know. If anyone deserves this award, she does.

Stefani Weber from Doernbecher 8S submitted the following nomination...

We were going to do a particularly difficult case, difficult both technically and emotionally; Julie had done this type of case before, I however, had not. I was on call and knew it was coming to us. Julie volunteered to stay and help me get through it even though it was after her shift and she was on call the next day and it was not her responsibility. She has always stayed to help whenever she could and is one of those people that always goes “above and beyond”. She is an extraordinary person and I am happy to call her my friend and co-worker. Also all she asked in return is to pay it forward....I wish we all did and felt that way!

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