

Recognizing Outstanding Service Excellence



Jodene Cook
Doernbecher Children's Hospital Volunteer

Karen Andersen from Pediatric Intensive Care Unit submitted the following nomination . . .

Jodene has shown an amazing dedication to the patients at the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. She always has time to play, hold a hand, and give support to some of our sickest and lonely patients. During September of this year, we had a five month old girl in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit with a bowel obstruction. She was the cutest little angel of a five month old and for most of her stay here she was completely alone. People, myself included, would pop in her room from time to time and remark about how cute she was and how sad that she had no family willing to comfort her during her hospital stay. About a week into her stay one of our volunteers, Jodene Cook, started sitting in her room and talking to her, comforting her, and giving her all the attention every child deserves. Soon, Jodene became a fixture in the unit, spending everyday she was at the hospital visiting with this special little girl. I often spoke with Jodene about our little patient and during one of our conversations Jodene confided in me that she had come in on her days off to sit with her and check on her and our other patients. I was so blown away by Jodene's dedication to this patient and all little patients at Doernbecher Children's Hospital that I had to nominate her the Golden Rose award. She is truly a treasure and a wonderful asset to the patients and staff at Doernbecher Children's Hospital.



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