

9th Annual Panhandle Great 25 Nurses

5:30 - 6:00 Registration and Seating

6:00 - 6:45 Invocation and Dinner

Ms. Ruth Whitehead

Dr. Walter Wendler, **WTAMU PRESIDENT**

6:45 - 8:30

Program (Bar will close when the program begins)

Welcome/Opening Remarks

Dr. Elizabeth Matos & Ms. Sharla Valdez,

PANHANDLE GREAT 25 NURSES, CO-CHAIRS

Tribute to Dr. Valerie Kiper

**Recognition of 2025
Scholarship Recipients**

Ms. Sharla Valdez

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIR

Scholarship Recipients' Address

Ms. Citlali Botello - **WTAMU**. Heaven Cantu - **WTAMU**

**Presentation of 2025
Panhandle Great 25 Nurses**

Ms. Meaghan Collier

Closing Remarks

Dr. Elizabeth Matos & Ms. Sharla Valdez

Florence Nightingale Ceremony

Melissa Harris - **TEXAS HONOR GUARD**

DONORS



JIM KIPER | CHRIS SCHARBAUER | DR. DANIEL & ERICA BEGGS



COMMITTEE

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SHARLA VALDEZ
JESSICA VANWINKLE
RUTH WHITEHEAD
CAROLYN WITHERSPOON

2025 | Scholarship Recipients

Angela Allen, DNP, RN
ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY,
DOCTORAL IN NURSING

Citlali Botello, BSN, RN
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
MSN

Heaven Cantu, Student
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
TRADITIONAL BSN

Nasayha Estrada, Student
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
TRADITIONAL BSN

Bryson Osborne, Student
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
TRADITIONAL BSN

Susana Ramirez, Student
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH
SCIENCES, SECOND DEGREE BSN

Felicity Sosa, Student
AMARILLO COLLEGE,
ASSOCIATE DEGREE RN (ADN)

**Dr. Valarie Kiper - Doctoral Leadership
Scholarship Recipient**

Elizabeth Thompson,
MSN, RN, CNE, CNEcl, CCRN
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-
CORPUS CHRISTI,
DOCTORAL IN NURSING

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2025 | Honorees

Azra Barakovic, DNP-C, RN, CNE, CNEcl, CMSRN
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Kevelin Becerril, RN
OCHILTREE GENERAL HOSPITAL – CNO

Kathryn Britain, RN
RETIRED – NWTH

Savannah Childress, BSN, RN
BSA

Priscella Correa, PhD, MSN, RN
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Alee Friemel, DNP, RN, CNE, CNEcl
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Amanda Garcia, RN, DNS-CT, CDCP, RACT-CT, QAPI-CT
MEMORIAL NURSING AND REHAB

Camille Graves, MSN, RN, CEN
AMARILLO COLLEGE – LVN INSTRUCTOR

Karaesa Gudgell, MSN, RN
HEREFORD REG. MEDICAL CENTER – CNO

Carole Harkins, MSN, RN, CNE, CNEcl
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Karen Jeffers, BSN, RN
BAPTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES

Luann Meyer, BSN, RN, WHNP-BC
HAVEN HEALTH CLINIC

Amaka Nwokedi, BSN, RN
THOMAS E. CREEK VA HOSPITAL

Brenna Payne, BSN, RN, WHNP-BC
PANHANDLE OB/GYN

Sarah Riley, MSN, RN
THOMAS E. CREEK VA HOSPITAL

Elisha Rosier, BSN, RN
CASTRO CO. HOSPITAL DISTRICT – CEO

Ashley Seal, BSN, RN
BSA

Lori Sorensen, RN-BC
BSA

Michelle Smith, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-C
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING;
HAVENS HEALTH CLINIC

Michelle Switzer, BSN, RN, NREMT
AMTECH MEDICAL INSTRUCTOR

Emily Vallejo, BSN, RN
BSA

Austin Wiseman, DNP-C, RN, CNE, CNEcl, CMSRN
WTAMU SCHOOL OF NURSING

Veronica Gafford, LVN
HEREFORD REGIONAL MED. CENTER
QUALITY MANAGER

Rosa Jimenez, LVN
CASTRO CO. HOSPITAL DISTRICT – ER

Lacy Sims, LVN
POTTER COUNTY DETENTION CENTER
MEDICAL OFFICER

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