

Dear Colleagues,

I hope we show our appreciation for each other every day, but this week is special. Our nurse leaders and educators have planned a week of events and activities to celebrate all of you.

Each year the American Nurses Association recognizes May as National Nurses Month. This year they selected the theme, You Make a Difference, to honor the various roles of nurses and the positive impact nurses have on the lives of others.

You all certainly make a difference. I see your passion to comfort and care in your daily actions. Our nursing staff is known for its excellence and compassion – that is evident in the notes, cards and emails we receive and in our patient satisfaction survey feedback.

Thank you for living the Oneida Health mission and values. You are the foundation and core of the care we provide at Oneida and you serve as a healing presence in our community. I am humbled and grateful to work alongside you every day. Thank you for making a difference.

In Gratitude -



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