

# Stormont-Vail HealthCare

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## **Stormont-Vail HealthCare Excellence in Nursing Awards to be Jan. 14**

(Topeka, Kan., Jan. 14, 2010) – The Stormont-Vail Foundation is a proud sponsor of this year's Excellence in Nursing Awards scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Jan. 14 in the auditorium of Stormont-Vail HealthCare's Pozez Education Center. The awards recognize and celebrate outstanding professional work by Stormont-Vail HealthCare patient care staff.

Fifteen awards winners were chosen from a large number of high quality nominations.

2010 Award Recipients are:

**Excellence in Nursing Practice**

Lana Harris - Cancer Center  
Kim Scamman - NIC

**Excellence in Nursing Leadership**

Debra Salisbury - NIC

**Excellence in Nursing Mentorship**

Jean Pope - PACU  
Helen Sands - 6-North

**Excellence in Nursing Preceptorship**

Rhonda Palmer - 7-North

**Rising Star**

Erica Bletscher - 4-West  
Allison Hanna - 5-North

**Excellence in Licensed Practical Nursing**

Janelle Lolley - Cotton-O'Neil Nephrology Clinic  
Joyce Shaver - 5-North

**Excellence in Patient Care**

Jan Baker (Licensed Mental Health Tech)

*Stormont-Vail West*

Jay Clinkenbeard - 6-West  
Mindy Cunningham - 7-North

Sabrina Robinson - CVOPC

**Distinguished Community Service**

Tracy Jones - Critical Care

The Selection Committee included Lori Bacon, Gwendolyn Courter, Bernie Becker, Carol Perry, Connie Pritchard, Don Schepker, Roberta Shilling, Carol Sidlinger, and Steve Wanamaker. The Selection Committee had the difficult task of selecting awardees who were both highly qualified and accomplished caregivers. While the task was challenging, it also provided a sense of gratification and appreciation for the importance of the work done at Stormont-Vail HealthCare and Cotton-O'Neil Clinic and the quality and compassion with which patient care services are delivered.

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