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# Meet Our Hospital Nursing Department

For the 15th year in a row, nurses rank as the most trusted profession in the United States. The annual Gallup survey ranks 22 professions for their honesty and ethical standards. In 2016, 84% of Americans rated nurses' standards as "very high" or "high." They were followed in the "most trusted" list by pharmacists, medical doctors, and dentists.

Here are profiles of three nurses serving in your hospital:



#### Elaine Polizzo, LPN

As the medications nurse, Elaine Polizzo measures and delivers the correct dosage of pills and intravenous medications to hospital bed patients during the weekend day shift. She values her time at each bedside. "I'm the eyes and ears for the registered nurses who provide the total care of the patient."

She began her nursing career at Baylor Hospital in Texas 19 years ago. She joined our staff in 2011. Nursing is a lifelong pursuit – she started as a hospital volunteer at age 16 in her native Connecticut.



#### Amanda Justus, RN

The new charge nurse on the hospital's weekend day shift arrived in January with 20 years of prior nursing experience in longterm care in Marshall County and Love County.

She was inspired by family members to enter the nursing field and worked her way up from Certified Nurse's Aide to leadership roles as a Registered Nurse in 2010."I love having the ability to make a difference in someone's life, to help fix their illness or walk alongside them through an emotional crisis."



### Landon Byles, CNA

"I like to see people progress and leave the hospital," said Byles, who joined the hospital nursing staff as an aide in June 2016.

He works weekends in order to continue weekday medical studies at Murray State College in the occupational therapy assistant program and to observe occupational therapists in the area.

The 24-year-old Tishomingo native is the third generation of his family to join the health care profession.

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