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Cabarrus College Spring Commencement Held May 8

Concord, N.C. — [Cabarrus College of Health Sciences](#) graduates entered First Baptist Church for the spring commencement ceremony with tremendous anticipation on Tuesday, May 8, 2012. Many family and friends of graduates were in attendance for the ceremony, and were welcomed by Dianne Snyder, DHA, Chancellor of Cabarrus College.

Kathleen Grew, Chief Nursing Officer, and Vice President of Patient Care Services at CMC-NorthEast provided the keynote address. Ms. Grew reminded the graduates they would be entering a new chapter in their life, one where healthcare is rapidly changing. She emphasized the knowledge and skills they received at Cabarrus College positioned them well to be the next generation of healthcare providers, and they should see themselves as innovators and leaders. She encouraged graduates to remember they are part of a sacred profession, and it is a privilege to take care of patients and their families. Ms. Grew indicated the graduates should always reflect on why they went into healthcare, keeping the patient at the center of what they do. She concluded by urging graduates to be a beacon to those around them, realizing that the human touch is more important than anything, and they must guide those whose candles are flickering and re-light those whose candles have gone out.

Degrees were conferred on the following graduates from the Allied Health Division:

- Receiving the Bachelor of Science in Health Services Leadership and Management degree were Beverly Harkey, cum laude, Richfield; Serguei Jouravlev, summa cum laude, Charlotte; and Lynn Bailey O'Neill, summa cum laude, Charlotte.
- Receiving the Associate of Science in Medical Assistant degree were Amanda Bratton, cum laude, Concord; Amber Coffman, Oakboro; Rachel Houston, magna cum laude, Charlotte; Savannah Page, Albemarle; and Ashlie Wellmon, Concord.
- Receiving the Diploma in Medical Assistant were Ashley Bornstein, Concord; Mayra Mendoza, Kannapolis; Amanda Ross, Concord; and Amber Taylor, Harrisburg.
- Receiving the Bachelor of Science in Medical Imaging were Stacey McDowell, magna cum laude, Charlotte; Ronald McKee, summa cum laude, Fort Mill, SC; Anthony Morgan-Littrell, magna cum laude, Sanford; Shawn Peters, Mooresville; and Daynelle Smith, Concord.

- Receiving the Associate of Science degree in Occupational Therapy Assistant were Gabrielle Beauvais, cum laude, Concord; Eva Blalock, Albemarle; Jennifer Brown, magna cum laude, Concord; Brittany Burton, Kings Mountain; Nichole Chaves, magna cum laude, Concord; Lisa Davis, summa cum laude, Pineville; Kelly Fitzgerald, summa cum laude, Indian Trail; Robin Flynn, cum laude, Harrisburg; Kellie Hatley, cum laude, Stanfield; Allison Hermans, summa cum laude, Concord; Brenda Holmes, magna cum laude, Charlotte; Laurie Mann, summa cum laude, Cornelius; Kristin McCoy, summa cum laude, Weddington; Amanda Moose, cum laude, Salisbury; Charles Phifer, cum laude, Charlotte; Shayla Prioleau, magna cum laude, Charlotte; Cheryl Saunders, cum laude, Charlotte; Jordan Sikes, cum laude, Polkton; Katherine Thompson, cum laude, Salisbury; Renesha Walker, Charlotte; Lucy Wilson, magna cum laude, Salisbury; Christin Workmon, cum laude, Belmont; Anna Yost, cum laude, Mooresville; Ashley Young, magna cum laude, Winston-Salem; and Carley Zarcone, Charlotte.
- Receiving the Associate of Science degree in Surgical Technology were Anna Ayala, Salisbury; Brittany Gay, cum laude, China Grove; Sheena Martin, cum laude, Gold Hill; Patricia McCabe, magna cum laude, Concord; Heather Melin, Mooresville; Kelley Slayden, magna cum laude, Lewisville; Olivia Smalls, Indian Trail; Jill Underwood, summa cum laude, Kannapolis; and Alac Wall, summa cum laude, Lexington.
- Receiving the Diploma in Surgical Technology were Dana Alderman, magna cum laude, Charlotte; James Brown, cum laude, Charlotte; Mary Corriher, Mooresville; and Samantha Danisman, Salisbury.

Degrees were conferred on the following graduates from the Louise Harkey School of Nursing:

- Receiving the Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing were Jessica Airheart, cum laude, Concord; Lisa Alexander, Cornelius; Afia Asare, cum laude, Charlotte; Stephanie Canipe, magna cum laude, Kannapolis; Tammy Cozad, cum laude, Hickory; Catherine Durstewitz, magna cum laude, Huntersville; JoAnna Inman, summa cum laude, Mocksville; Cassandra Kluttz, cum laude, Salisbury; Kara Link, cum laude, Charlotte; Tamara Napier, magna cum laude, Oakboro; and Lisa Wallace, magna cum laude, Concord.
- Receiving the Associate of Science degree in Nursing were Lara Ballard, Kannapolis; Hannah Brinson, Norwood; Lindsey Cook, cum laude, Indian Trail; James Dancy, Kannapolis; Sharon Ezzell, cum laude, Concord; Rebecca Ford, Concord; Samantha Garver, China Grove; Jillian Gillespie, Mount Airy; Lauren Helms, China Grove; Stephanie Hubbard, Charlotte; Huma Hussain, Concord; Samantha Jenkins, magna cum laude, Concord; Alecia Kallfelz, Kannapolis; Courtney Linnehan, Charlotte; Jaycee Marks, Mooresville; Ashley Marsha, cum laude, Pfafftown; Andrea Moody, cum laude, Kannapolis; Cedric Moore, Terrell; Ann O'Brien, summa cum laude, Davidson; Linsay Shubert, magna cum laude, Cornelius; Samantha Shue, Concord; Vicky Smith, Concord; Ashley Stewart, Concord; Ashley Sykes, Monroe; Rebecca Walker, Charlotte; Evelyn Wright, Concord; Amber Yarbrough, magna cum laude, Concord; Jowanna Young, Concord; and Amanda Zehringer, cum laude, Charlotte.

Nine awards were also presented to graduates in association with spring commencement:

- The Cannon Best All-Around Nursing Student Award was presented to Sharon Ezzell.
- The Edith M. Dennis Service Award was presented to Ashley Marsha.
- The Robert L. Wall Leadership Award was presented to Andrea Moody.
- The W.R. Floyd Surgical Nursing Award was presented to Linsay Shubert.
- The Dr. Linny & Joyce Baker Pediatric Nursing Award was presented to Stephanie Hubbard.
- The Elizabeth Mabrey Baccalaureate Award was presented to Catherine Durstewitz.
- The Allied Health Best All-Around Award was presented to Brittany Gay.
- The George A. Batte Scholastic Achievement Award was presented to Ann O'Brien.
- The Anita H. Talbot Scholastic Achievement Award was presented to Lisa Davis.



Spring 2012 graduates of Cabarrus College of Health Sciences



Kate Grew addresses the graduates during the spring commencement ceremony.

About Cabarrus College of Health Sciences

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, an affiliate of Carolinas HealthCare System, is located on the campus of Carolinas Medical Center-NorthEast in Concord, N.C. Five hundred and fourteen students are enrolled in six associate degree and three baccalaureate completion programs. Associate degree programs include medical assistant, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, pharmacy technology, surgical technology and associate in science. Baccalaureate completion programs include health services leadership and management, medical imaging and nursing. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. For additional information, visit www.cabarruscollege.edu.

About Carolinas HealthCare System

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