## Caring for new lives during COVID-19: First-year nurse shares experience of working in neonatal intensive care unit

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"It's scary how one virus can alter entire [health care] systems." - Rashana Mahamane, RN, 2019

**HOUSTON** – The Texas Medical Center (TMC) continues to play a significant role in the life of Rashana Mahamane or Shana. The TMC is where she studied and earned her degree in nursing at Prairie View A&M University's <u>College of Nursing</u> in 2019.

After passing her licensure exam, the Chicago native began her professional career at a children's medical hospital in the TMC.

Shana, whose twin sister is also a nurse, provides an honest look at her life as a new nurse caring for newborns, which is candid, cautious, and caring at the same time.

Her pandemic perspective is here.

You can view Shana and her sister's <u>YouTube</u> videos about their nursing experiences and their lives as twins.

Rashana Mahamane is available for interviews.



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