



PVAMU PROFESSOR HONORED FOR BUILDING FUTURE OF NURSING LEADERSHIP AMID NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CRISIS

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (July 30, 2025) - With America's healthcare system facing a leadership gap, burnout, and a severe nursing shortage, [Prairie View A&M University's](#) Dr. Abida Solomon is being honored for helping shape the solution.

Dr. Solomon, Professor in the [Doctor of Nursing Practice \(DNP\)](#) program at PVAMU, has been named a **2025 Excellence in Nursing Award** recipient by the **Good Samaritan Foundation**, one of Texas' most respected organizations dedicated to recognizing and advancing nursing professionals across the state.

The latest reports from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects the need for more than 275,000 additional nurses by 2030 to address the growing demand and replace retiring professionals. The healthcare system demands bold leadership and innovation, and Dr. Solomon is training doctoral-level nurses to not only deliver care, but to lead care. As part of one of the few DNP programs housed within a Historically Black College or University, her work has national relevance. She's building a healthcare workforce that is more resilient and equipped to meet the needs of underserved communities.

The Excellence in Nursing Awards Luncheon will take place at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at The Hilton Americas-Houston. The event honors nurses and educators nominated by their peers and selected by a distinguished panel for their contributions to the field.

For media inquiries, interviews, or to explore PVAMU's role in strengthening the nursing leadership pipeline, contact: Liz Faublas-Wallace, Communications Specialist III, at lswallace@pvamu.edu.

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