## 2024 Nurse of the Quarter 3: Exemplary Leadership

The <u>Division of Nursing Services</u> is pleased to announce the recipient of the <u>Nurse of the Quarter</u> for Exemplary Leadership for 2024, third quarter is Mary Bailey, BSN, RN, CIC from the <u>Claremore Service Unit</u> in the IHS <u>Oklahoma City Area.</u>

Mary Bailey, BSN, RN, CIC, has demonstrated exceptional leadership and unwavering dedication to improving the care and safety of American Indian/Alaska Native populations. Mary's innovative work as an Infection Preventionist has significantly improved patient outcomes, reduced hospital-acquired infections, and ensured high-level disinfection practices meet and exceed industry standards.

Mary's commitment aligns with the Indian Health Service's mission, emphasizing patient trust, satisfaction, and access to quality care. Her mentorship, policy advocacy, and evidence-based practices showcase her dedication to advancing nursing excellence and positively impacting care delivery within American Indian/Alaska Native communities.



Mary Bailey's comprehensive approach to infection prevention, combined with her exceptional leadership in nursing, mentoring, and policy advocacy, highlights her deservingness of this recognition. Her contributions not only enhance the nursing profession but embody the true essence of compassionate, innovative, and effective healthcare delivery within American Indian/Alaska Native communities and beyond.