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ABOUT

Dr. Vivian Padron-Fajardo is the Director of Clinical Services, Chief APRN, and a Post-trauma specialist at CITIMED. An invaluable member of our community, she has been on our medical team since 2012. She provides initial and ongoing case management for treating patients, works alongside other physicians and licensed medical professionals, and oversees all APRNs.



Specialty

Advanced Registered Nursing, Clinical Services, Family Nursing Practice, Post-trauma



Medical Degrees

Ph.D., APRN-HC, FNP



Areas of Expertise

Orthopaedics and orthopaedic surgery, neurology, neurosurgery, interventional pain management, injury rehabilitation and physical therapy, high-field MRI and diagnostic testing interpretation, and fracture care.

MEDICAL EDUCATION

MEDICAL SCHOOL

- University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies Graduate School of Nursing.
- University of Miami, Graduate School of Nursing, Family Nurse Practitioner, MSN.
- University of Miami, BSN

CERTIFICATION, LICENSURE

- Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, Honorary Certification, Florida Licensure.
- CITI Research certification.
- Disaster Management Certification, Miami Children's Hospital.
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Safe Kids Coalition, Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician.

PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS

- Board Member for HealthFree, Inc.
- Director of Nursing Research, Miami Children's Hospital.
- Associate Professor, Miami Regional University.
- Associate Professor, University of Miami.
- School of Nursing and Health Studies.
- Wallace Gilroy Chair (2005-2006), UMSONHS.
- Nurse Researcher.

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Padron-Fajardo's passion for medicine began at a young age as a ward clerk at Miami Children's Hospital in 1979, where she worked in the ER, NICU, PICU, Surgical, Hematology/Oncology, and general medicine units. She graduated from the University of Miami with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, becoming Graduate Nurse in the Levin unit at Miami Children's. Dr. Padron Fajardo continued her studies at UM to earn a Master of Science at the School of Nursing and Health Studies Nursing Graduate and Family Nursing Program in 1997.

From 1996 to 2000, she was a clinical instructor, lecturer, teaching assistant, and clinical simulation director at the University of Miami School of Nursing. In 2000, Dr. Padron-Fajardo became the Skills Lab Director at UM's School of Nursing and continued as a lecturer and instructor, accomplishing a Ph.D. from the School of Nursing and Health Studies, Graduate School of Nursing, in 2005 and became the Clinical Assistant Professor at UM's School of Nursing and Health Studies. She held the Wallace Gilroy Chair during this time and contributed her efforts as a Family Nurse Practitioner and ARNP at multiple clinics.

In 2012 she became the Director of Nursing Research at Miami Children's Hospital and joined CITIMED as an ARNP and Post-trauma specialist. And in 2017, she became our Director of Clinical Services and the Associate Professor of Clinical at Miami Regional University. In response to Hurricane Irma and Maria, Dr. Vivian Padron-Fajardo was the Director of Disaster Management Services for HealthFree Inc., CITIMED's non-profit, and Lead APRN, where she traveled to the Florida Keys and Puerto Rico for triage and disaster management, treating the post-disaster victims.

Dr. Padron-Fajardo is licensed to practice medicine in Florida. She became a Certified Child Passenger Safety Technician in 2005 and received Disaster Management Certification from Miami Children's Hospital in 2012. Dr. Padron-Fajardo has had Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Practitioner Honorary Certification since 2004 and CITI Program Research Certification from 2004 to 2014.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Award recipient for "Community Service", January 2017, Miami Regional University.

Community Award recipient for "Community Service", March, 2013, South Florida Nursing Association.

Award recipient for "Faculty of the Year" Award, May, 2009, University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies.

Award recipient for the "Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities Professional Capacity Building Program", San Antonio, Texas; Bethesda, Maryland, San Antonio, Texas. August 24, 2007.

Recipient of the "Excellence in Academic and Clinical Practice" Award, May 13, 2005, University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies.

Recipient of the Alumni Association Award, May 13, 2005, University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies

Recipient of second place nomination for Research Poster Presentation, Car Safety

Device Health Behavior among Hispanic Drivers, University of Miami, Research and Creativity Forum, March/05.

Nomination for Teaching Excellence Award, University of Miami, School of Nursing - January/05

University of Miami, School of Nursing, Graduate Student Appreciation Award - April 2001

EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

November, 2013: Mentor for publication on Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections in a pediatric intensive care unit. EBP project at Miami Children's Hospital. Publication in progress.

November, 2013: Primary author for "Pediatric Falls Definition: Conceptual analysis. Miami Children's Hospital, Publication in progress.

Pearson Education Editor in, Berman, A, Snyder, S and Jackson, C. (2009). Skills in Clinical Nursing (6th ed.). New Jersey: Prentice Hall.

Editor, Sigma Theta Tau Newsletter, August 1999 to 2004.

EXPERIENCE NON-ACADEMIC

2017-Present Director of Clinical Services, Chief APRN.

CITIMED Group, Kendall, Midtown, North Miami Beach, Hollywood.

2017-2018 Director of Disaster Management Services.

HealthFree Inc., (CITIMED Group, Non-Profit Group)

2012-2017 Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, Post-Trauma Specialty.

CITIMED Group, Kendall, Midtown, North Miami Beach, Hollywood.

2012-2014 Director of Nursing Research.

Miami Children's Hospital.

2010-2012 Family Nurse Practitioner, ARNP.

Examination Services Incorporated.

2006-2008 Family Nurse Practitioner, ARNP.

Navarro Express Clinic, Dr. Jorge Murillo Medical Director.

1994-1996 Project Administrator.

Miami Children's Hospital, CMS Primary Care Program.

1991-1994 Registered Nurse.

Miami Children's Hospital, Continuing Care Center.

1989-1991 Registered Nurse.

Miami Children's Hospital, Outpatient Center, Emergency Room, Continuing Care Center, Endocrinology Office.

1987-1988 Associate Nurse Manager.

Miami Children's Hospital, Nursery North.

1985-1987 Staff position as Registered Nurse.

Miami Children's Hospital.

1985-1986 Allergy Nurse Specialist.

Stanley B. Smith, MD, Medical Practice.

1984-1995 Graduate Nurse.

Miami Children's Hospital, Levin Unit.

1979-1984 Ward Clerk for ER, NICU, PICU, Surgical, Hematology/Oncology, and general medicine units.

Miami Children's Hospital.

EXPERIENCE ACADEMIC

2017-2020 Associate Professor of Clinical.

Miami Regional University.

2012-2014 Director of Nursing Research.

Miami Children's Hospital.

2005-2012 Assistant Professor of Clinical.

University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies.

2005-2006 Wallace Gilroy Chair.

University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies.

2000-2005 Lecturer.

University of Miami School of Nursing.

1996-2000 Clinical Instructor.

University of Miami School of Nursing.

PROFESSIONAL

Funded Research Performed:

Provost Educational Grant with Dr. D. Ugarriza \$118,000

Patient Safety Research Team UM, SONHS, collaborative funded projects:

August, 2009.

Co-Investigator and Project Director for a collaborative nursing research clinical trial (NRCT). Funded research grant by Hill Rom for \$150,000.

A pre and post timed series evaluation of bacteria on mattress (VersaCare® P500). NRCT funded through August 2010. NRCT implemented at University of Miami Hospital.

January, 2009.

Collaborative research project. Funded by Hill ROM \$150,000. Research investigator for the "Evaluation of the Incidence and Healing Rate of Pressure Ulcers While Using the VersaCare® P500 Surface." Research project funded through December, 2009. Research investigation implemented at the University of Miami Hospital.

December, 2008.

Collaborative research project. Funded by ASPAN. Developed the "Speak-up initiative survey" for the "Determination of Elective Surgical Patients' Awareness of the Speak-Up Initiatives by Joint Commission" project submitted by M. Asher. Funding awarded but project unable to implement due to insufficient funding for proposed research project budget. Developed the "Speak-Up Initiative Survey".