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Dr. Anna Hamrick Honored for Commitment to Patients, Healthcare, and Community

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – A faculty member for the Gardner-Webb University Hunt School of Nursing has been named a top nurse in the state of North Carolina by a non-profit organization dedicated to honoring the best in the nursing profession each year.

A resident of Shelby, N.C., Dr. Anna Hamrick was selected by the Great 100, Inc. as a “Great 100 Nurse” for 2018. Hamrick serves as assistant professor of nursing and chair of Family Nurse Practitioner programs at GWU. A registered nurse (RN) for 17 years, she maintains her clinical practice with Hospice and Palliative Care of Cleveland County.

Each year, the Great 100, Inc. evaluates thousands of nominations from people all over the state in order to select its recipients, who will be honored at the 30th Anniversary Celebration Great 100 Gala in Winston-Salem, N.C., later this year.

“A Great 100 nurse is a registered nurse who is exceptional for accomplishments in the workplace and in the community,” shared Anne T. Brown, president of the Great 100, Inc. Board of Directors. “We congratulate all of the Great 100 winners for the amazing things they do every day to make a difference in the lives of so many!”

Hunt School of Nursing Dean and Interim Associate Provost for the College of Health Sciences Dr. Nicole Waters believes Hamrick is very worthy of the Great 100 honor. “We are excited that Dr. Hamrick is being recognized for her commitment and inspirational influence to nursing education and nursing practice,” offered Dr. Nicole Waters, dean of the Hunt School of Nursing and interim associate provost for the College of Health Sciences. “She is an asset to Gardner-Webb University and to the surrounding community, and we are blessed to have her on the Hunt School of Nursing team. I pray that God continues to bless her in all her professional endeavors.”

A native of Sylva, N.C., Hamrick earned her Associate of Arts in Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Gardner-Webb University. She received a Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner from Western Carolina University (Cullowhee, N.C.)

and a Doctor of Nursing Practice from University of Minnesota – Twin Cities (Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minn.).

“I am honored to be nominated and selected by my peers for such a prestigious award,” Hamrick reflected. “God has blessed me abundantly, and I desire to be a blessing to others by loving and serving God, my family, my community, and my profession.”

The Great 100, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to recognizing the top 100 nurses in the state of North Carolina and awarding nursing scholarships to deserving students. A grassroots, peer-recognition program, the Great 100 honors recipients on an annual basis for their outstanding professional ability and for the contributions they have made to improving the healthcare services in their community. Since 1989, the Great 100 has awarded thousands of dollars in nursing scholarships. Learn more at Great100.org.

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