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**Jerrilee LaMar named recipient of the University of Southern Indiana  
Distinguished Nursing Alumna Award**

Jerrilee LaMar, manager of the Employee Education and Development Department at Deaconess Hospital, has been named the first recipient of the University of Southern Indiana Distinguished Nursing Alumna Award.

The award, presented by Dr. Nadine Coudret, dean of the USI School of Nursing and Health Professions, recognized LaMar's professional work that reflects the excellence the USI School of Nursing and Health Professions ascribes to and strives to instill in its graduates.

LaMar earned her baccalaureate degree in nursing from USI in 1994 and her master's degree from University of Evansville in 1998. She is currently enrolled in a doctoral program in education. She is a resident of Poseyville, Indiana.

She has worked as a pediatric staff nurse, an assistant head nurse, a clinical instructor, and a staff development specialist. She is a certified Zenger Miller Frontline Leadership facilitator, a certified American Heart CPR instructor trainer, and an American Heart PALS instructor. She is a clinical teaching associate for USI and IVY Tech State College.

LaMar is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and the 2000 recipient of the Excellence in Humor Award from the National Nursing Staff Development organization. She served as team leader for the Deaconess outreach program in Jamaica that includes USI students and staff.

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