Kathleen Toms, RN, MS Ed, MSN, CNS, VHA, CM: Transforming Lives through Compassionate Nursing in California

A Leader in Patient Care and Education



New York City, New York Mar 27, 2025 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Kathleen Toms, a distinguished nurse based in California, is making significant strides in the healthcare field with her unwavering dedication to enhancing the quality of life for her patients. With years of experience and a profound passion for nursing, Toms stands out as a beacon of hope and care in the community.

With a career spanning over five decades, Kathleen Toms has built a reputation as a top nurse whose expertise lies in patient care, education, and family health. Her journey began at City College of San Francisco, where she earned her Associate Degree in Nursing in 1963. She continued to expand her knowledge with a Bachelor of Professional Studies in Nursing Education and Community Health from Elizabethtown College in 1973, followed by a Master of Science in Administration and Gerontology from Gwynedd Mercy University in 1988. Toms also holds a Master of Science in Education from Temple University, further solidifying her commitment to nursing education.

She spent 30 years in the Army Nurse Corps, being Commissioned as a 1st Lieutenant, already a nurse both in the Reserves and Active duty for Desert Shield/Desert Storm. During those years she received 16 Army Commendation Medals as well as 3 Meritorious Service Medals accomplishing everything from giving Fort Sam in San Antonio, TX a new way to look at what it takes to teach foreign students brought in from Vietnam to all passing their tests to become medics in the USAR to being an invited speaker to Forscom on Governors Island on how to set up a program in the Reserves with concurrent clinical and didactic to become LPN's/LVN's with Northampton County Area Community College, Bethlehem, PA while quartered on an Army base in Pennsylvania. She was nine years a COL before retirement and, as such, was stationed with the Reserve Support Command in Los Alamitos, CA., where she was assigned to the Investigative Unit. Kathleen Toms graduated from the U.S. Army War College, Carlisle, PA receiving a diploma in Strategic Studies.

Her extensive training and education have positioned her as a leader in the Department of Veterans Affairs, where she serves as the Nursing Ed/Veteran and Family Health Education Coordinator. In this role, she is dedicated to educating veterans and their families about health management and wellness. Her focus on communication, safety, and trust ensures that patients feel valued and understood, which are integral components of her patient-centered approach.

As a true asset to the field of nursing in California, Kathleen Toms continues to make a lasting impact on her patients and the healthcare community. Her dedication to improving patient outcomes and fostering a nurturing environment exemplifies the very best of what nursing has to offer.

Learn More about Kathleen Toms:

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