Five questions for Vickie Healy



Vickie Healy, RN-BC, OCN

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Vickie Healy, RN-BC, OCN, honoring National Nurses Week: This dedicated registered nurse is board-certified as an oncology certified nurse, working at Saratoga Hospital Mollie Wilmot Radiation Oncology Center.

1 What did you want to be when you grew up?

I always wanted to be a nurse. I was forever finding injured birds and animals to take care of.

2 How did you get into nursing?

I got a job after high school, then went to nursing school when I was 20. After I became an RN, I worked in medical-surgical nursing for 32 years. I enjoyed that, seeing people get better. Then I worked in pediatric chemotherapy administration, and seven years ago, I began at Mollie Wilmot Radiation Oncology Center. I decided I absolutely loved it. It's awesome. There's a lot of teaching, which I like, and I feel almost a part of the patients' families. It's been a gift from God to find this place. It's opened a whole new world to me.

3 How do you feel at the end of the day?

I'm pretty tired when I go home. I like to have some time alone and relax. I read before bedtime, and I go to bed by 8 p.m.

4 What do you and your family do for fun?

I'm married with two sons, one grandson and a three-legged pit bull. I love to spend time with my grandson, who just turned 8. I also go camping in Wilton, a great way to unwind.

5 What three adjectives best describe you?

I am spiritual, grateful — and tired.

— Jennie Grey

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