

Five questions for Eileen Santoro, MSN, FNP



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Eileen Santoro, MSN, FNP, honoring National Nurses Week: Saratoga Hospital's Santoro has a Master of Science degree in nursing and is a family nurse practitioner.

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

I wanted to become a teacher.

2 How did you become a nurse?

I first attended Green Mountain College, which was fun, but I wasn't sure what I was doing there. I transferred to Syracuse for my associate's degree in nursing and then got my bachelor's at Sage College. I later received my master's at Sage College.

3 In what Saratoga Hospital departments have you worked?

I've worked in dialysis, the intensive care unit, dialysis administration and the emergency room. I then took a job at the hospital's Saratoga Community Health Center, working as a primary care practitioner. At Saratoga Center for the Family, I did pediatric exams. Now I am precepting four students here, mentoring them while they learn. I like all my jobs.

4 What do you and your family do for fun?

I'm married with kids, and I'm about to become a grandmother. All I do is work and travel. I love to travel. Lately, I've been to Hawaii, Nashville and Aruba.

5 What three adjectives best describe you?

I'm energetic, driven and diverse.

— Jennie Grey

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