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Recipient: Daniel Usgaard, RN
Nomination submitted by: Patient

Dan always enters the room with a smile. He always asks first to see how you are without seeming like he is too busy for you.

He will sit and listen to you. This man brought me items all on his own. I never asked for anything, he just walks in with a smile and a bag. Unreal. I've never been so impressed with an individual. He just cares. He truly cares about the people he works with.

I am not one of many words or can put the words together, but I can say that Dan deserves this award. First, he is a caring, compassionate human. He gets answers, he listens, and he truly cares. Dan went above and beyond of just doing his job. I believe his job comes second - or at he makes you feel that way. I do not mean he does not do his job. Dan's heart is set on caring for people, and that is why is such a great nurse. That is very symbolic to me.

Dan, I'm sorry I cannot express in better words the recognition you deserve. I cannot put into words how much you lifted me up when I was down. The way you're able to turn a gloomy place to one that is light, good and positive is beautiful.

Thank you for what you did. Thank you for caring. Thank you for listening and planning. Thank you for sharing and your kind gift just to say, "I'm thinking of you."

Dan you are a great nurse and a better man and human.

You are a friend anyone be lucky to have!