

## SHARP HEALTHCARE NURSING LEADERSHIP

**Name:** Gabriella Malagon-Maldonado, PhD, DNP, RN, NEA-BC

**Title:** Vice President, Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer  
Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center

### **Summary:**

I am responsible for leading operations for nursing, respiratory therapy, pharmacy, long-term care, and other ancillary departments for a 349-bed acute care hospital and 100-bed skilled nursing facility representing approximately 1,500 FTEs at Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center. I provide leadership in the development, implementation, and evaluation of safety initiatives and customer service excellence. I serve as adjunct faculty in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program at the University of San Diego (USD) Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science.

I received a PhD in Nursing from USD and have a DNP Western University of Health Sciences College of Graduate Nursing. My dissertation work includes discharge readiness, post-discharge coping and enhancing interprofessional collaboration. I am an active member of the American Nurses Associations' Professional Issues Panel on Barriers to RN Scope of Practice and the Scope and Standards of Practice Revision Advisory Committee.

### **Research Interests:**

My research interests include health disparities among vulnerable patient populations, leadership to advocate for equity in healthcare, person-centered care outcomes and scope and standards of nursing practice.

### **Education:**

- PhD, Nursing, USD Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science, San Diego, CA, 2015
- DNP, Western University of Health Sciences College of Graduate Nursing, Pomona, CA, 2012
- MSN, Clinical Nurse Specialist/Nurse Educator, California State University, Fresno, CA, 2007
- BSN, California State University, Fresno, CA, 2005
- BS, Biological Sciences, University of California, Irvine, CA, 2003

### **Certifications:**

- Nurse Executive, Advanced-Board Certified (NEA-BC), American Nurses Credentialing Center
- Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Certification, Sharp HealthCare

### **Recent Honors:**

- 2018 Sharp Metropolitan Medical Campus C.O.R.E. Award: Safety, Sharp HealthCare
- 2017 Sharp Metropolitan Medical Campus C.O.R.E Award: Quality, Sharp HealthCare
- 2014 Sharp Metropolitan Medical Campus Leader of the Month, Sharp HealthCare
- 2016 "Rising Star" Research Award, Sigma Theta Tau International
- 2016 Pillar Award, Center of Nursing Excellence Scholarship Program, Sharp HealthCare
- 2015 Achievements Rewards for College Scientist Scholar Recipient, University of San Diego

### **Publications:**

[PubMed](#)

[ResearchGate](#)

**Favorite Leadership Quote:**

“When we seek to discover the best in others, we bring out the best in ourselves.” William Arthur Ward

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