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**WMC nurse named Who's Who in Infection Prevention**

**FRANKLIN, TENN.** – Williamson Medical Center infection preventionist Vicki Sweeney, R.N., recently was recognized as Who's Who in Infection Prevention in 2010 by *Infection Control Today* magazine.

The award honors dedicated professionals who work hard to advance the infection prevention and control agenda. WMC Patient Safety and Quality director Cassie Davenport, B.S.N., R.N., nominated Sweeney.

“Since she moved into the infection control role in 2008, Vicki has led Medical Center staff to a new understanding of infection prevention and control,” Davenport says. “Through innovative campaigns including costumed crusades focused on fighting bacterial infections, Vicki continues to educate staff members in ways they won't soon forget.”

In the brief time in her role, Sweeney has developed numerous educational tools for staff and revised infection prevention policies to ensure they are evidence based. She currently is working on a project to assist those who clean equipment in ensuring the correct product is used.

“Vicki goes beyond what is required in her role to ensure employees have the tools they need to perform their jobs as they relate to infection control,” Davenport says. “She works closely with the hospital epidemiologist and staff in every department to ensure patients at WMC receive safe, quality care.”

Sweeney has been an employee at WMC since 2003. Before working in Infection Control, she was a nurse on the Fourth Floor and in the Critical Care Unit.

Williamson Medical Center, a 185-bed hospital fully accredited by The Joint Commission, provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care including emergency services, with credentialed physicians in 53 specialties and sub-specialties. The community-focused hospital offers a wide range of wellness services, screenings and classes. For more information about Williamson Medical Center, visit [www.williamsonmedicalcenter.org](http://www.williamsonmedicalcenter.org).

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