

Striding Towards Success

SHANTI DEVI D/O KISHORLAL
Nurse Manager
Mount Elizabeth Novena Hospital

When Shanti Devi d/o Kishorlal became a staff nurse in 1992, she started with simple tasks like cleaning. She quickly learnt, however, that there is a world of progression opportunities for nurses. In 2008, Shanti completed her degree in nursing and chose to spend some time as a nurse educator to broaden her horizons. At the young age of 28, she was promoted to Nurse Manager.

Part of her success can be attributed to her bubbly personality, which helps her quickly build rapport with her people. "I think nurses need good interpersonal skills as we interact with people from all walks of life on a daily basis. Nurses need to be empathetic and patient, with a can-do attitude," she said.

With her love for nursing, Shanti does not measure success by the strides she takes in her career, but by the number of lives that she touches. "My goal is to make at least one person smile every day."



"I hope that more people will come to realise that nurses are professionals who play an important role in healthcare today."

In her words...

"My nursing career has been 24 years in the making and it has been a wonderfully diverse and enriching experience.

One of my best career memories is a patient research project that I worked on with an orthopaedic specialist. As a young nurse, I was honoured to collaborate with, and present to, professors in the field. The experience reinforced my conviction that nursing does have a strong and independent voice in the healthcare community."