

## ROSALIND FRANKLÎN UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

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## Myrna Gongora selected as September 2012 Staff Member of the Month



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NORTH CHICAGO, IL – Myrna Gongora, Senior Administrative Assistant, has been selected by the Staff Recognition Awards Program (SRAP) as the September 2012 Rosalind Franklin University Staff Member of the Month.

Myrna provides administrative support to the CFO and the Associate Vice President for Financial Planning and Analysis, as well as ensuring daily operations in the office run smoothly.

Myrna has been with the University for 11 years, spending her first five at Rosalind Franklin University Health System, formerly known as the Clinics, and her most recent six years in the finance department.

"It was different," Myrna said of the change from health care to finance. "I had always worked in the medical area with hands-on care to patients." Myrna does not regret the change from heath care to finance, as it has made her understanding of the intricate nature of heath care more holistic.

"I still enjoy working in the Finance Department where there is something new to learn everyday" she said. "When you work hands on with patients you don't see the financial part of it; you're only looking for patient care."

Myrna tries to serve as a resource for employees, students and faculty across the University. She is now a notary public for the Finance Department. In addition to this award, Gongora was the 2010 – 2011 Treasurer for the All Staff Assembly.

"Being selected twice by the Staff Recognition Awards Program is an honor. I was pleasantly surprised as it was something I did not expect," she said.

Myrna, a native of Belize, loves to travel outside of the University. Along with her annual trips to home, she has been to Northern Ireland, Mexico, Canada and a host of states, including her favorite, Hawaii. Myrna has enjoyed her decade at the University, both at the clinic and the financial office. It has allowed her to meet and assist a variety of people and learn from many different sources.

## About Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

Formed in 1912 as the Chicago Hospital-College of Medicine, Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science is a national leader in interprofessional medical and healthcare education, offering a doctor of medicine program through the Chicago Medical School, doctor of podiatric medicine program through the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine, and a range of degrees through its College of Health Professions, including nurse anesthesia, nutrition, physical therapy, pathologists' assistant and physician assistant. The University also offers advanced biomedical degrees through the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. The university received Pre-candidate status for its College of Pharmacy and welcome its first class August 2011.

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