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IMPACT Nurse Clinician Receives Award

Rita Haverkamp was awarded the Psychiatric Nurse of the Year Award for Expanded/Advanced Practice by the San Diego Psychiatric Nurses Society.

Rita has 35 years experience as a psychiatric nurse. She is president-elect of the California Chapter of the American Psychiatric Nursing Association.

Rita has played a highly significant role in the IMPACT research trial and subsequent dissemination. As part of the Kaiser Southern California study site, she helped test the IMPACT model of care in the original research study. Since the end of the study, she has trained hundreds of clinicians in the model, both within Kaiser and around the country. She continues to be a leader in promoting 'real world' applications of the IMPACT model.