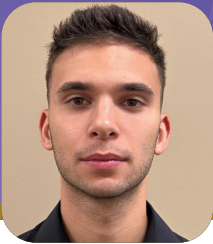


THE Importance of Caring

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my journey into health care



Jonathan Fernandez
CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT

Born in Cuba, Jonathan Fernandez embraces caregiving at Columbus Community Hospital. His journey from his Cuban roots to his current role in Columbus, Nebraska, exemplifies his unwavering commitment to providing exceptional patient care.

Fernandez, who is a certified nursing assistant (CNA) at the hospital, experienced the vibrant culture, challenges and resilience of the Cuban people. These experiences instilled in him a deep appreciation for family, community and the importance of helping others. His cultural heritage has shaped his values and provided him with a unique perspective on life and health care.

“Growing up in Cuba, I was exposed to a culture that values family, community and helping others,” Fernandez said. **“These values have always been important to me, and they continue to guide my work as a health care provider.”**

Fernandez’s commitment to continuous learning and professional growth is evident in his pursuit of a registered

nurse (RN) license. He is passionate about staying up-to-date on the latest advancements in health care and improving his skills as a caregiver.

Prior to joining the hospital, Fernandez gained valuable experience working at Hibbett Sports. **“This experience helped me develop important skills such as customer service and teamwork,”** he said. **“I learned the importance of treating every person with respect and kindness.”**

As a CNA, Fernandez plays a vital role on the CCH team. His daily responsibilities include assisting RNs with patient checkups and rounds, attending to patient needs and providing companionship. **“I find immense satisfaction in interacting with patients and making a positive impact on their lives,”** he said.

Fernandez is more than a CNA — he is also a dedicated member of the community, involved in various volunteer activities and always looking for ways to give back. His passion for helping others extends beyond his professional life.

As Fernandez continues to grow in his career, he is excited about the

opportunities that lie ahead, and is committed to making a positive impact on the lives of his patients and the community. With his dedication, compassion and strong work ethic, Fernandez is well on his way to achieving his goals. His cultural heritage continues to influence his work, and he is proud to represent his Cuban roots in the United States.

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