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The Gypsy Nurse Announces Results of 2018 Travel Nurse Agency Evaluation Survey

Inaugural Survey Enabled Thousands of Travel RNs to Rate Travel Nurse Firms on Agency
Performance Standards Deemed Critical to Traveler Satisfaction

Boca Raton, FL, **December 13, 2018** – The Gypsy Nurse, the largest online travel nursing community and travel nurse resource platform, today announced the release of its inaugural Travel Nurse Agency Evaluation results, available now on TheGypsyNurse.com.

The goal of the survey was to enable travel nurses to make informed decisions when it comes to choosing the agency that's right for their unique needs and to help agencies better understand what's important to the travel nursing community at-large. To create this comprehensive evaluation, The Gypsy Nurse organization hired two top independent market research firms to create a quantitative evaluation with sound methodology to survey travel nurses. All data was analyzed by these firms in-house and was presented to The Gypsy Nurse as an independent completed product.

Over the past several months leading up to today's announcement of the results, the research firms reached out to over 100,000 travel nurses to rate – based on their personal experience with agencies – key performance areas that the community had indicated were most important to them. This survey included some of the biggest agencies and boutiques to give nurses a diverse set of results.

The final results of the survey were broken down into five key performance categories, with top-scorers being designated as "Overall Winners" followed by "Finalists" and "Honorable Mentions."

The results are as follows:

Best Overall Agency (the agency with the highest aggregated score across the four award areas: agency relationship, assignment/location, employment benefits, and career advancement):

Winner: Travel Nurse Across America

Finalists: Gifted Healthcare, TotalMed, Triage Staffing. Honorable Mentions: Aya Healthcare, FlexCare Medical Staffing, Medical Solutions, Next Travel Nursing, Tailored Healthcare Staffing (THS), Titan Medical

Most Loyal Agency (the agency with recruiters who are knowledgeable and address concerns quickly, while also genuinely getting to know travel nurses and making them feel a part of a family):

Winner: Triage Staffing

Finalists: Gifted Healthcare, TotalMed, Travel Nurse Across America. Honorable Mentions: Aya Healthcare, FlexCare Medical Staffing, LRS Healthcare, Medical Solutions, Next Travel Nursing, Titan Medical

Best Assignment Concierge Agency (the agency with connections to high-quality hospitals in desirable geographic locations, and that do the best job of helping travel nurses find the ideal assignment):

Winner: Triage Staffing

Finalists: FlexCare Medical Staffing, Next Travel Nursing, Travel Nurse Across America. Honorable Mentions: Aya Healthcare, Gifted Healthcare, Medical Solutions, Tailored Healthcare Staffing (THS), Titan Medical, TotalMed

Most Travel-Centric Benefits Agency (the agency with attractive financial and non-financial benefits, opportunities for skill building outside of work {e.g., CEU's and certifications}, and a strong overall compensation package):

Winner: Gifted Healthcare

Finalists: Fastaff, TotalMed, Travel Nurse Across America. Honorable Mentions: Aya Healthcare, FlexCare Medical Staffing, Medical Solutions, Next Travel Nursing, Tailored Healthcare Staffing (THS), Triage Staffing

Best Career Accelerator Agency (this award highlights the agency with great on-the-job-training and assignments that help travel nurses broaden their skill set and develop further expertise in an area of interest):

Winner: Gifted Healthcare

Finalists: Titan Medical, TotalMed, Travel Nurse Across America. Honorable Mentions: FlexCare Medical Staffing, LRS Healthcare, Medical Solutions, Next Travel Nursing, Tailored Healthcare Staffing (THS), Triage Staffing

Details of the survey, as well as detailed information on each participating firm, can be found on <u>The Gypsy Nurse website</u>, the leading resource destination for travel nurse that includes informative articles, a customized social media feed for travel nurse topics (<u>The Gypsy Buzz</u>), travel nurse <u>housing options</u>, travel nurse <u>jobs</u> and more. Plans for the 2019 Travel Nurse Agency Evaluation Survey are already underway.

About The Gypsy Nurse: As travel nursing's leading resource and support platform, The Gypsy Nurse serves thousands of travel nurses each month with content, conversation & tools across its expansive website hub (TheGypsyNurse.com) and its extensive social media presence. Built on the foundation of "The Three Cs" - Collaboration, Camaraderie and Community – The Gypsy Nurse is committed to fostering collaboration to help better understand the travel nursing industry and supporting travel nurses by building camaraderie in the community of this unique profession.