

## Marqueal L. Thomas Biography

Marqueal Thomas received her Associate of Science in Nursing degree from Southern Regional Technical College, Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Thomas University in which she graduated *Magna cum laude*. She is currently enrolled at Albany State University in the Family Nurse Practitioner program. She started her career in healthcare over 16 years ago as Respiratory Therapist. Her work experience includes working a registered respiratory therapist, emergency room nurse, dialysis nurse, and psychiatric and behavioral health nurse. She is currently employed at Colquitt Regional Medical Center and Turning Point Hospital. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing and American Nephrology Nursing Association. Her plans after graduation are to continue her education and pursue a Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner certification. Her hobbies include traveling, reading, and spending time with family and friends. Her area of interest includes improving ways to prevent nurse burnout and mental health disorders.