



Festus Obanor

– RN /INFECTION PREVENTIONIST –
Cypress Grove Rehabilitation Center

Our Quest 2022 winner, Festus Obanor, is an RN at Cypress Grove Rehabilitation Center where he has worked for 16 years. Festus was nominated for his exemplary focus and dedication during the pandemic as our Infection Preventionist.

Festus grew up in Nigeria where he graduated from high school. He moved to Boston in 1992 to attend the University of Massachusetts and major in computer science. While attending UMass, Festus met his wonderful wife. Festus left the field of computer science and began nursing school in 2005. When asked what motivated him to make such a drastic change, Festus said, “I just love helping people, it is my passion.” Festus’s first job as a nurse was at Cypress Grove and he has been serving the staff, residents, and families here ever since.

Festus and his wife have two children. His daughter is a teacher and his son is currently a student at the University of Southern Indiana. He volunteers his time at a local assisted living where he has hosted a Bible study for the last five years. Festus is a huge fan of Boston sports teams including the New England Patriots and Boston Celtics.

Festus stated, “My favorite aspect of working at Cypress is the love we have for our residents and all of the incredible coworkers I get to work with every day.”

A co-worker stated, “Festus is in this business to improve the lives of others and truly serve them with everything he has. I’m not sure I could admire a nurse more than I admire Festus Obanor.”

