

I started my road into nursing as an LPN, to then seek and obtain my BSN in nursing. In 2012, I started my first job as a medical-surgical Registered Nurse. In 2015, I joined the ICU team at Auburn Muticare and at the same time became a new member of WW-NAHN. My passion for nursing and for helping the Latinx community gain access to excellent health care and services inspired me to join WW-NAHN. My role in WW-NAHN will provide me with direct opportunities to mentor Latinx heritage nursing students through school and beyond. I believe that mentoring is one important and proven way to retain Latinx students in nursing school. Also, through WW-NAHN I can support underserved Latinx communities in identifying solutions to health disparities that affect them. Being part of WW-NAHN has helped me identify professional goals and also grow as a leader. To deepen my commitment to the mission of WW-NAHN, I became Secretary. In my role as an elected boar member, I will dedicate time to assist in meetings as well as to be present in volunteer activities. I will gain experience in consolidating and facilitating communication among all members and friends of WW-NAHN.~Jesmyn Lecaros