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### CORAL GABLES HOSPITAL

#### Jaime Salgado, R.N.

For Jaime Salgado, R.N., being a nurse at Coral Gables hospital is more than just a job; it's being a member of a second family. Salgado has been an integral part of the Coral Gables Hospital nursing team since 2003, when he moved from Argentina and started out as an operating room nursing assistant. After earning board certification to practice as a registered nurse in the United States, Salgado continued working in the operating room at Coral Gables Hospital and was promoted to a pre op nurse two years ago. Salgado enjoys being an important member of this team, where he prepares patients for surgery and works with physicians to help patients achieve optimal surgical outcomes.

Salgado earned his nursing degree in Cuba and then worked as a nurse in Argentina for eight years. Now with over 20 years of nursing experience, Salgado still wakes up every morning happy because he is "going to help people."



#### Epifania Dingcong, R.N.

With a fascination of health and a strong desire to help others at young age, Epifania Dingcong was set on a career in nursing. Today- with over 30 years of nursing experience- Dingcong serves as a circulating nurse in Coral Gables Hospital's operating room, where she finds great joy and reward in being part of a team that helps mend patients back to health and wellbeing.

Dingcong earned her nursing degree in the Philippines and practiced nursing for over 15 years in the Philippines and Saudi Arabia before moving to the United States in 1996. Dingcong's experiences as a nurse abroad have contributed to her ability to influence and care for patients of different cultural and ethnic backgrounds.

Six years ago, Dingcong joined the nursing "family" in the OR at Coral Gables Hospital, where her continuous motivation to excel and provide patients with the best nursing care possible is appreciated by the hospital and its patients.

