

Why did you decide to go to TTUHSC?

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I moved here in 2000, from New Mexico. And over the years I've seen graduates, the school, the instructors, worked alongside them precepted their students, even the second degree and some of the other students now, different levels, all the different progresses. And I knew I wanted that stellar education. And I knew I saw the product. And I worked with the people. And I knew that that's where I wanted to go.

Did you encourage your daughter to study nursing or to attend TTUHSC?

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Ironically, no. So well, it evolved to that. But originally, so I look back and it was interesting to me, because when she was about three or four, she had said, as a parent, she said, you know, she was her sister was sick, she calls her sissy, and she's like, I take sissy to the doctor, I give sissy medicine, I'll take care of sissy, and she had all these references to caring for her. But I thought, okay, that could be a mother, a public servant, that could be anybody. And I didn't think much about that. Then later on, I do disaster medicine as a health and human services employee, and I was deployed, and I had sent a picture. And she made this T shirt with all these details for me as a gift when I came back, and I still didn't kind of process because I thought, okay, that could be EMS, right? That could be a physician,

