



This past year, the worldwide coronavirus pandemic affected every aspect of our daily lives and the lives of those who are in our community. During the coronavirus pandemic, local health system team members on the front lines have made many sacrifices, oftentimes prioritizing their patients above their own health and safety. Our editors wanted to honor these frontline heroes in a dedicated monthly web spotlight titled “Behind the Mask”. Each healthcare team member of the month is selected by their group peers, recognized for their dedication and outstanding commitment to their patients. They are the ones who take care of our loved ones in their greatest moments of need and we could not be more thankful to have these heroes apart of our community here at Southeast Georgia Health System.

#### About Southeast Georgia Health System

Southeast Georgia Health System is a not-for-profit health system comprised of two acute care hospitals, two long term care facilities, two comprehensive Cancer Care Centers, and multiple specialty care centers, including orthopedic and spine care, joint replacement, breast care, maternity, outpatient rehabilitation, sleep management and wound care. The Brunswick Campus Cancer Care Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and offers the only CyberKnife® M6 with MLC technology in Georgia. Additionally, the Southeast Georgia Physician Associates medical group includes more than 140 providers working in 20 different medical specialties at more than 50 locations. The Health System is part of Coastal Community Health, a regional affiliation between Baptist Health and Southeast Georgia Health System forming a highly integrated hospital network focused on significant initiatives designed to enhance the quality and value of care provided to our contiguous communities. For more information, visit [sghs.org](http://sghs.org)



AUGUST  
Mylekia Ambers, CNA

It can be difficult to see the silver lining in a storm, especially when that storm doesn't have a foreseeable end. But when faced with the uncertainty and adversity of a global pandemic, it's having health care professionals like Amber on our side and looking after our health that makes a world of difference. Mylekia Ambers, CNA, sees patients on the medical-surgical floor of the Camden Campus. A Health System team member for eight years, Ambers serves as the nurses' "right hand," taking patient vitals and tracking activities of daily living, such as bathing, toileting, transferring, walking, and eating. She knew from an early age that she wanted to join the health care profession. A Woodbine native, Ambers decided to work toward becoming a CNA in high school, eventually dedicating her time and talents to her local hospital.



**SEPTEMBER**  
Angelita Frazier, R.N.

A Southeast Georgia Health System Camden Campus team member for fifteen years, Frazier has dedicated fourteen of those years to the Maternity Care Center. “I grew to love labor and delivery during my brief time as a float nurse. It’s very rewarding, helping to bring new life into the world,” says Frazier. “My greatest love is caring for the infants. Previous to joining the Health System, I worked ten years with developmentally delayed pediatric patients, so working with babies is definitely my strong suit.” A mother herself, she is extremely proud of her children and how they have “grown into awesome adults.”



**OCTOBER**  
Damon W. Brantley, M.D.

Between politics and a global pandemic, people have no shortage of polarizing topics to debate. Whether you’re a republican or democrat, pro- or anti-mask, or just trying to survive these difficult times, Damon W. Brantley, M.D., believes that two things can bring people together: a common enemy or a common goal. As a surgeon, that goal is patient care, and Brantley’s pursuit of better health stems from his medical expertise, strong community ties, and love of music. When Brantley was initially recruited to join the Health System, he came to “do good surgery and make sure patients have the best outcomes possible.” Since his arrival, his duties and experience have expanded beyond surgery and patient care to areas of leadership and community outreach.



**NOVEMBER**  
Herman Levy, M.D.

Children visit pediatricians and adults visit primary care or family medicine providers, but patients in good health rarely need the skills of a health care specialist. Since the rise of COVID-19, however, the skills of pulmonary specialist Herman Levy, M.D., have certainly been appreciated by all of Camden County. A board-certified internist at Southeast Georgia Physician Associates-Pulmonary Medicine, Levy has treated Health System patients with lung disease for nearly 30 years. With an additional specialization in critical care medicine, Levy’s skills are especially helpful as Southeast Georgia Health System battles the potentially deadly virus. Levy hopes that his empathetic care encourages patients to embrace his suggestions. “Lifestyle is crucial to our quality of life. I emphasize the importance of not smoking and avoiding situations that are injurious to their lungs and overall well-being.”



**DECEMBER**  
Jessica Lamb, CNA

The work of their health care professionals continues, day in and day out, even when it risks their own safety. While every department on the Camden Campus adjusted to cope with the pandemic, these changes were especially poignant at the Senior Care Center-St. Marys. To protect the health of aging, at-risk residents, the Center suspended visitations in March. With restrictions in place, team members like Jessica Lamb, CNA, strove to keep residents cheerful through window and FaceTime visits with loved ones. Lamb provides direct care to residents living at the Center and her role as a caregiver is especially meaningful now when families have limited access to their senior relatives.