



## Mary Gomez, RN, MN



### Education

- 1969-1973 Morenci High School, Morenci, AZ **College Preparatory Courses**  
1973-1977 University of Arizona, Tucson **Bachelor of Science in Nursing**  
1994-1996 University of Phoenix, Tucson **Master of Nursing Administration**

### Work Experience

#### 9/11 – 8/16 *Cochise County - Director – Cochise Health and Social Services*

- County combined former Aging and Social Services department and Health department into new Health and Social Services – responsible for all divisions of both departments including Public Fiduciary, AAA Case Management, Environmental Health, Nursing, Prevention Services, Emergency Preparedness and Infectious Disease Surveillance, Finance, Vital Records, and Title 36 claims administration.
- Direct oversight of organization providing public health services for County residents.
- Develop and maintain relationships with provider care networks and facilities.
- Negotiation of service agreements with community partners.
- Develop and implement of program requirements and policies for maintenance of licensure as Outpatient Treatment Centers at five service sites.
- Interpret and analyze Arizona Revised Statutes, Administrative Code, and pertinent federal regulations for contractual issues and in the provision of direct services.
- Represent CHSS at Board of Supervisors' meetings and work sessions related to CHSS administrative or contractual issues, at the legislature, at inter- or intra-departmental meetings, liaison with other agencies within the State and County.
- Manage/supervise, directly or indirectly, 75 professional and administrative staff.

#### 5/05 – 9/11 *Cochise County - Director – Cochise Aging and Social Services*

- Direct operations of Cochise Health Systems, the Program Contractor for the Arizona Long Term Care System, a division of AHCCCS, Public Fiduciary's Office, and Area Agency on Aging Case Management program.
- Direct oversight of a managed care organization providing long-term, acute, and mental health services for elderly and physically disabled clients.
- Develop and maintain provider care networks by analyzing client and provider needs and formulating capitated or risk-taking strategies for various medical providers and facilities.
- Negotiation of service agreements with clinics, nursing homes, home care providers, or other medical providers.
- Manage/supervise, directly or indirectly, 75 professional and administrative staff.

#### 7/03 – 5/05 *Administrator Rural Health Clinic – Copper Queen Medical Associates – Bisbee/Douglas, AZ*

- Employed by Copper Queen Community Hospital (CQCH) to manage transition of Copper Cities Physicians into a department of CQCH.
- Responsible for transition of private practice into two state licensed outpatient treatment centers and Medicare certification as Rural Health Clinics.

#### 10/98 – 7/03 *CEO/Managing Partner – Copper Cities Physicians – Bisbee/Douglas, AZ*

- Recruited by physicians to organize and oversee operations of their newly formed private medical group as department of SAMC until 12/1/98, at which time became independent entity.

#### Jan – Oct, 1998 *Assistant Administrator, Patient Care Services – SAMC*

- Organizational restructuring resulted in combining previous responsibilities described below with those of former Director of Nursing.
- Responsible for all HCBS and patient care services at SAMC. Duties expanded to include management of inpatient services, hospital outpatient services, Environmental Services Department, Rehab Department and Pharmacy.

**1985 – 1998**      ***Asst Administrator, Home & Community-Based Services (HCBS)  
Southeast Arizona Medical Center (SAMC) – Douglas, AZ***

- Responsible for direction and coordination of all home and community based services, which included Home Health, Hospice, Homemaker Program, and three RHCs.
- Directed, supervised all staff and clinical activities. Evaluated performance of clinical managers and ancillary staff.
- Provided oversight for the development, State Licensure and Medicare Certification for the Hospice Program in April 1996, for the Homemaker Program in 1994, and for the Rural Health Clinics beginning in 1995.
- Developed and implemented program for Home Health Case Management to deal with capitated population of Medicare and commercial members in first risk-sharing contract entered into by SAMC.

**1981 – 1985**      ***Director of Nursing – Copper Queen Hospital – Bisbee, AZ***

Directed, supervised nursing services concerned with all aspects of patient care in this 49 bed, rural acute care facility, which included 22 licensed SNF beds. Liaison to Medical Staff and to Cochise College Nursing Department.

**1978 – 1981**      ***Associate Director of Nursing – Benson Hospital – Benson, AZ***

Planned, developed, and implemented in-service education programs, orientation of new employees, functioned as OR Supervisor, Utilization Review Coordinator, Infection Control Nurse, and supervised shift charge nurses in this 22 bed, rural acute care facility.

**1979 – 1980**      ***Part-Time Clinical Instructor – Cochise College – Douglas, AZ***

Clinical supervision/instruction of 10-12 first or second semester nursing students in rotations at hospitals throughout Cochise County hospitals and clinics. Clinical areas: Pediatrics, Psychiatric, Medical-Surgical, Operating Room, Geriatrics, ICU, SNF, OB. Presented seminars on cardiovascular assessment, abdominal assessment, EKG interpretation, S.O.A.P. charting, cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. Wrote and presented clinical performance appraisals. (Concurrent employment at Benson Hospital)

**May – August, 1974**      ***Clerk Typist – Phelps Dodge Corporation – Morenci, AZ***

Worked with eight geologists in Geology Department as summer job. Secretarial duties included typing, filing, receptionist duties, labeling ore slides, etc.