

Quality of Care Lifetime Achievement Award Finalist: Dr. Rene Loyola

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Making a positive impact wherever he travels



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From Dr. Rene Loyola's nomination:

"Dr. Loyola doesn't just utilize his impressive clinical talents to improve the well-being of the community of patients at St. Lucie Medical Center, but he shares his surgical skills and compassionate drive to make a positive impact on the much broader spectrum, worldwide. For the past 12 years, Dr. Loyola has been on multiple medical mission trips to Honduras, Haiti, Nicaragua, and Africa. His last trip was to Vietnam, where he plans to go again this year. With each trip he evaluates the available equipment at each site, and teaches the doctors how to best utilize their existing equipment. Dr. Loyola makes such a difference by helping to improve the quality of life for many individuals in these countries. In 2003, Dr. Loyola won the Physician Legacy Award at St. Lucie Medical Center. He won the award based on being an (1) excellent clinician as viewed by his colleagues, (2) outstanding partner to the nurses, (3) medical staff leadership roles, and (4) making a difference to the community. Dr. Loyola also spends much of his time teaching and mentoring medical students. He joined the faculty of the FSU College of Medicine in 2007. He teaches 3-4 students

each year. In 2016, Dr. Loyola was nominated and chosen as a finalist for the HCA Frist Humanitarian Award."

— Jamie Sparks

Dr. Rene Loyola received his bachelor of science degree in biology and chemistry at Loyola University in New Orleans. Loyola graduated from the University of Barcelona Medical School in 1975. He completed his surgical residency at the University Miami School of Medicine at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

Loyola focuses on general and vascular surgery. He is board certified in general surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. Loyola is a clinical assistant professor of surgery for the Florida State University College of Medicine.

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