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Mary Nelson MSN, RN, CPPS is the Network Drug Diversion Specialist for HonorHealth in Scottsdale, AZ. Her clinical background included 16 years in critical care nursing before transitioning to the Quality and Patient Safety team where she learned the foundations of event analysis and process improvement. The last five years have been dedicated to the development of the Drug Diversion Prevention Program for HonorHealth. In this position, she is responsible for creating policies and improving processes for the surveillance, investigation, response, and reporting of potential drug diversion activities.

Mary received a bachelor's degree in nursing from East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma. Later, she received a master's degree in Nursing Leadership from Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona. In addition, she is a Certified Professional in Patient Safety (CPPS). Mary remains active with the American Nurses Association, the Arizona Nurses Association, the International Health Facility Diversion Association, and the National Patient Safety Foundation.