



CULTURAL NORTH STAR AWARDS

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We proudly share that the UCLA Gender Health Program care coordination team is the recipient of a Cultural North Star Team Award. This award recognizes the teamwork that serves as the cornerstone of the collaborative environment at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA as well as the mission of the [Cultural North Star initiative](#) - Do What's Right. Make Things Better. Be Kind.

The [UCLA Gender Health Program](#) strives to offer comprehensive medical and surgical care to the transgender and gender-diverse community in Los Angeles and across the country. The program understands that each individual seeking support is following their unique journey and that the only way to provide person-centered healthcare is to treat each patient with sensitivity, provide a comfortable and safe healthcare experience, continue to expand our understanding of how to effectively serve the gender-diverse population, deliver leading-edge research findings and incorporate programs in a network of resources to keep our patients safe and healthy.

The care coordination team awarded the Cultural North Star Team Award includes (*pictured left to right*) **Ethan Patron**, care coordinator, **Kristen C. Williams**, program manager and population health research manager, **Chris Mann**, founding program manager, and **Ellisone Punzalan**, administrative specialist.

