## 2019 NURSE OF THE YEAR



Susan Yeranyan
Ararat Nursing Facility, Mission Hills

Susan Yeranyan, RN, began her career in Armenia, as a biochemist with a degree from Yerevan State University. After migrating to the United States, she pursued her passion for healthcare by starting a career at Ararat Nursing Facility (ANF) as a certified nursing assistant. During her 25 years of employment at ANF, Susan climbed the career ladder and achieved her American Dream after her promotion to Director of Clinical Services in 2007. Susan is also a Certified Dementia Practitioner. She was the ANF Employee of the Year in 1996 and was recognized by the International Nurses Association for her excellence in nursing in 2019.

Under her leadership, Ararat Nursing Facility has consistently remained a Five-Star facility. It received the AHCA/ NCAL Bronze and Silver Quality Awards in 2017 and 2018, respectively. The facility plans to apply for Gold level recognition in 2020.

Susan is a true nurse, at heart and in practice. She loves touching and changing people's lives, being hands on, as well as leading and educating the next generation of nurses.