

DISTINCTION HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Patricia Klimkewicz, CAPT, Ph.D.

Patricia Klimkewicz, CAPT, Ph.D., was named Hudson Valley Community College's new Dean of Health Sciences after serving for six months in an interim capacity. Dr. Klimkewicz is a registered nurse and, prior to becoming Dean, worked as a professor in the college's nursing department for 19 years. She is also a Captain in the United States Navy.

Her exemplary military service includes serving for two years in Germany at Landstuhl Hospital treating Wounded Warriors, NATO, and Allied Forces, nine months in Kandahar, Afghanistan, six months on the USS Mercy, and numerous humanitarian missions. Most recently, she was deployed to the Javits Center to care for and treat COVID-19 patients. While serving in New York City, she was promoted to Navy Captain during a special ceremony in Times Square.

She was strongly recommended for Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals for meritorious performance of duties as Assistant Senior Nurse Executive for the Javits New York Medical Station (JNYMS) under the Joint Task Force Civil Support New York-New Jersey, the Army's 807th Medical Command (Deployment Support) and the Army's 44th Medical Brigade (MED BDE) from 04 April 2020 to 08 May 2020.

Dr. Klimkewicz's academic credentials are highly distinguished. She earned a doctorate in health services from Walden University; a master's degree in nursing and an MBA, both from Sage Graduate School; a bachelor's degree in nursing from Russell Sage College; an associate degree in nursing from Mohawk Valley Community College, and is Board Certified in Public/Community Health Nursing.

Dr. Klimkewicz's many military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal; Navy/
Marine Commendation Medal Navy; Marine Corps Achievement Medal x2, Meritorious Unit
Commendation; National Defense Service Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Armed
Forces Reserve Medal W/"M" Device; Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Campaign Star; Navy/
Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon; Navy Reserve Sea Service Deployment; Navy Pistol
Sharpshooter Ribbon; and the Flag Letter of Commendation.

Patricia Klimkewicz, CAPT, Ph.D. was selected as a 2020 Woman of Distinction by Senator Daphne Jordan.

