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Keiser University Congratulates Dr. Lasheba Travis for Winning The Golden Baby Shoe Award

Award given out by Healthy Start Coalition of Southwest Florida

Ft. Myers, FL –Aug. 26, 2013 — On Saturday, Aug. 24, Dr. Lasheba Travis was awarded the Golden Baby Shoe Award by Healthy Start Coalition of Southwest Florida at The Club at Grandezza in Estero.

The Golden Baby Shoe Awards are given to individuals who have gone above and beyond in order to improve the health and well-being of babies or pregnant women throughout Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee Counties. This is the fourth annual event held by Healthy Start Coalition to celebrate these distinguished individuals.

“It is quite an honor to have been recognized by this exceptional organization for my efforts with the Department of Health as a Program Manager,” said Dr. Lasheba Travis, Biomedical Program Chair at Keiser University’s Ft. Myers campus.

Dr. Lasheba Travis worked in public health for 14 years providing services to Hendry and Glades counties. During her tenure, she provided services in epidemiology, employee health, chronic disease, teen pregnancy, and infant mortality prevention. A major aspect of Dr. Travis’s work was to find ways to reduce teen pregnancy rates, which would directly impact infant mortality rates. The teen pregnancy rates and high school dropout rates dropped dramatically in youth that participated in the Teen Health programs in Hendry County. Another aspect of Dr. Travis’s work was to manage the care coordination in Healthy Start. In 2012, under her leadership over 500 mothers and babies received services in Hendry and Glades counties.

“Lasheba is an exceptional faculty member and the Ft. Myers campus is so pleased she has received such an esteemed distinction from the community she has been committed to for so many years,” said Nancy Tedros, Campus President.

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Dr. Lasheba Travis proudly displays her Golden Baby Shoe Award.