

Collin County Going the **Extra Mile (GEM)** Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Daphne Lynch

Honoree's Job Title: Epidemiologist

Department: Health Care Services

Years of Service with the County: 11 years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award:

Daphne is a vital member of the epidemiology team, known for her unwavering willingness to support and assist her coworkers. In March, she was appointed to manage the Epidemiology department while her manager was on leave. On March 3, 2025, the county experienced a power outage and network failure, leading to a county wide closure. At that same time, the Epidemiology team was handling a high-priority case that required a critical timeline for administering post-exposure prophylaxis.

Daphne successfully oversaw the extensive investigation, which necessitated the team working over the weekend and maintaining communication with county and departmental leadership. She managed both the team and the situation flawlessly. Daphne consistently provides reliable knowledge and guidance to her peers, earning their respect. She is truly an exceptional asset to her department.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 1st day of July.

Candy Blair

Signature of Elected Official or Department Head