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Nursing students from the University of Japan visit Tripler

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Tripler Army Medical Center hosted 84 nursing students from the University of Japan for a learning experience with American and military nurses on March 25, 2014.

The guests received a historical tour of Tripler, mission brief and visited Labor and Delivery, Intensive Care Unit, Emergency Department, and the Directorate of Hospital Education Training (DOHET) where they watched a training simulation.

"After being introduced to the simulator they are able to listen to heartbeats and lung sounds. They are able to see everything we can do with a patient and I show them how the simulator works," says Teah Karamath, Nurse Educator at Tripler.

Karamath hopes that the students are able to take away how the hospital is passionate about patient care and the friendliness of staff.

"I really think the tour is significant because for one, the Japanese medical community find it very exciting to come here and watch us and see what we do. It is also good to be transparent in our medical care so that they can take something back with them and hopefully utilize what they've learned," she says.

Karamath says the university students first toured Tripler in 2010 and have returned every year because of their positive experience.

The students also donated a check to the Fisher House to support the facility's mission and to show their gratitude to the hospital.

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