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**Maxwell Breaux**

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Maxwell Breaux is nursing director of the surgical intensive care unit (SICU) at FMOL Health, Our Lady of the Lake in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. With 12 years of critical care experience, he leads nursing operations with a multidisciplinary approach, focusing on continuous

process improvement. Maxwell earned a Master of Science in Nursing in executive leadership from Chamberlain University and holds certification in critical care. His leadership helped guide the organization through a two-year transition to implement a closed-system IV catheter. This stewardship generated an estimated \$168,000 in annual cost avoidance and improved safety for staff while preventing harm to patients. Under his leadership, SICU achieved zero catheter-associated urinary tract infections for over a year and consistently ranks in the top decile for patient satisfaction. A dedicated mentor, Maxwell increased unit certification rates by 50%. His contributions earned him a 2024 Louisiana State Nurses Association 40 Under 40 leader award.