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**Arlington Resident Named Salus University Physician Assistant
Alumna of the Year**

Elkins Park, Pa. – Jennifer M. Heibel, MMS '15, PA-C of Arlington has been awarded the Physician Assistant of the Year Award for 2018, presented by the Salus University Alumni Association. She is a member of the palliative medicine team at the Mayo Clinic Health System (MCHS) in Mankato, Minn. As a palliative medicine provider, her goal is to ensure that her patients are not viewed as their conditions but as unique individuals. Heibel graduated with high honors from the University's Physician Assistant Studies program. In her position at MCHS, she also provides education on disease as well as the trajectory of medical conditions which allows her patients to make informed decisions regarding their medical care.

Her passion for helping patients and their loved ones in difficult times extends beyond her duties as a physician assistant. Last year, she founded a non-profit service known as "ReMEMber" (pronounced Remember Me), providing guidance in composing letters and other personalized projects in an effort to "capture an unwavering expression of love that lasts beyond the final breath."

The 2018 Alumni Association award is in recognition of her outstanding achievement, humanistic contribution, service and dedication to the physician assistant profession.

About Salus University

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