

UHealth Receives Third ECRI Supply Chain Achievement Award

The University of Miami Health System Division of Supply Chain Services earned its third ECRI Supply Chain Achievement Award for its outstanding work in keeping patients, students, and employees safe by providing PPE to the entire UHealth organization. This award comes as the nation and world grapple with supply shortages, underscoring the importance of this field across every industry.



Keith Murphy on right with members of the UHealth Supply Chain Services team.

The Healthcare Supply Chain Achievement Award recognizes members of ECRI's portfolio of supply chain services that demonstrate exemplary utilization of services across the procurement lifecycle, including budgeting, benchmarking, technology assessment, and strategic development. UHealth was one of the twelve organizations recognized during the yearlong

in-depth analysis that determines the winners.

Since the early stages of the pandemic in 2020, the division has been hard at work concentrating on PPE and other COVID-related products. “This award was truly the result of a focused team effort that allowed us to reach our target goals in such a challenging year,” said Keith Murphy, vice president of UHealth Supply Chain Services. “The setbacks caused by the pandemic didn’t hold us back long as everyone from leadership to our workers stepped up in bigger ways than usual.”



ECRI digital ad in New York City’s Times Square commemorating the Healthcare Supply Chain Achievement Award winners.

The supply chain services team stayed the course where possible by designing and gaining approval to open a new distribution center and continuing other large supply initiatives such as procuring the necessary supplies for a total joint replacement (hip and knee implants/revisions) project. In addition, the division is working on a project to build a new five-year program for the planning, forecasting, and deployment of strategic capital planning for medical

equipment.

ECRI recognized the award winners with a virtual award ceremony along with a digital ad in New York City's Times Square and announcements on ECRI's website and in social media.

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