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On July 23, 2010, Patty Kempton, Communicable Disease Nurse with the Moore County Health Department, was presented the 'Communicable Disease Program Spirit Award'. This Award is sponsored by the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Public Health, Communicable Disease Branch. Patty received numerous nominations for this Award from her colleagues at the local and state levels.

Patty is the only communicable disease nurse in the Moore County Health Department. She is dedicated to her job and patients; often working after hours to assure the public's health is protected. During last fall's H1N1 pandemic, Patty served as Incident Commander for the Health Department's response. This response involved offering school-based vaccinations to all school children in our County. Her leadership inspired the team of public and private providers to overcome significant obstacles in responding to a major communicable disease event.

Her colleagues also cited her professionalism, efficiency and knowledge in responding to numerous other communicable disease incidents, such as tuberculosis, pertussis, norovirus, etc. She was recognized as a role model for other communicable disease nurses across the State.

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