Ulises is a tech for the Sterilization Department at South Miami Hospital. Ulises has done an incredible job while facing some of the challenges of the pandemic. The national shortage of supplies caused him to lose some hours at the beginning.

The challenges of his family worrying about him working was difficult. When businesses were closing down and lockdowns and curfews were put in place, the hospital continued needing workers.

The hospital released a form that allowed employees to opt out of working. This was a hard decision for Ulises; however, he continued his work. His family as well as the foundation have been an incredible support for Ulises in sustaining his employment throughout these very hard times. Ulises has continued with sanitizing surgical instruments, de-linting surgery linens, making peel packs for surgery, and deliveries to various departments.

"Ulises is part of a very vital component of the hospital and he does an exceedingly good job."

Ulises was a recipient of a laptop acquired through grant funds which greatly aided in his ability to remain virtually present with his peers and attend virtual classes offered through the foundation. Ulises is also a DJ and has served in this role throughout the pandemic, DJ’ing many of the drive-by parties for young adults’ birthdays throughout the pandemic and for Virtual Talent Shows. DJ’ing is a great outlet for Ulises and a truly loved hobby that he enjoys working on during his time away from work.

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