

NPGO BLAST

July 18, 2024

UVA Nursing Practice Updates

[Click here](#) to read the full updates, and print & post for your practice area!

Headlines:

Violent vs. Non-Violent Restraints

Reminder: New Isolation Signs Launch July 29th

New SMS Platform “Hello World” Launching July 25th – Patients Must Opt In to Text Messages

New “NUM” Sterile Vapocoolant (Cold Topical Anesthetic Spray)

Reminder: Adult Procedural Sedation Order Sets Launched July 16th

Urine Retention: Did You Know?

Changes to GC and Chlamydia PCR Collection Devices

New Progressa(+) ICU Beds

Past editions are available on the [NPGO Practice News](#) website.

Champion Resources

Champion Resources & Weekly Updates [here](#).

Professional Development

Less than two weeks to apply for a 2024 Nursing Degree Scholarship!

Spread the word about this valuable resource to support UVA team members pursuing nursing degrees across all levels. Eligibility includes benefited University Medical Center employees who are taking classes between January 2024 and June 2025 in:

- ADN degree programs
- BSN degree programs & prerequisites
- Higher nursing degree programs

[Click here](#) for more information and to submit a competitive application. **Print and post** this flyer to share in your area. Applications close **July 29 at 23:59**, with recipients being announced in late August.

UVA School of Nursing Clinical Instructor Workshop | August 20th – August 22nd

Registration is open and the brochure is attached [here](#).

UVA School of Nursing Academy (NEA) is Now Enrolling for Fall 2024

The Nurse Educator Academy is for nurses who hold a graduate degree and are interested in teaching with UVA as a clinical instructor in the future. Nurses who complete the NEA will become Clinician-Educators, a position in which employment includes serving as a clinical instructor. Want more information? Please email Kathryn Reid at kjb@virginia.edu!

Applications Now Open | Next Cohort of the UVA Health Leadership Institute

The UVA Health Leadership Institute (HLI) is ready to welcome a new cohort class of emerging leaders to the institute. The institute is seeking candidates who meet the following criteria:

- Early- or mid-career, minimum of 5-10 years of cumulative work experience in healthcare (at UVA Health and/or elsewhere)
- Demonstrate leadership experience or potential
- Currently employed by any UVA Health entity and invested in their future at UVA Health

Interested candidates should complete their application, essay, and submit a letter of recommendation via the [HLI application portal](#). **The application deadline is August 9**, selected candidates will be notified in early September, and monthly cohort sessions will begin October 16. Additional details about the HLI curriculum, application process, and more are available in the [FAQs on Connect](#).

Call for Rapid Fire Presenters at VNA & VNF's Nurse Staffing Summit

The Virginia Nurses Association and Virginia Nurses Foundation invite individuals and teams to showcase their innovative approaches in addressing the pressing challenges facing nursing practice today!

We're seeking rapid fire presenters to share insights, experiences, and best practices aimed at revolutionizing nursing practice and tackling the ongoing staffing crisis head-on. If you're actively engaged in initiatives related to staffing, developing the future workforce, improving the work environment, recruitment, retention, workplace culture, stress management, violence prevention, or fostering equitable environments, we want to hear from you!

Join us in-person November 22-23, 2024, at our Nurse Staffing Summit and contribute to the dialogue on reshaping the nursing landscape. Selected presenters will have the opportunity to provide a 5-minute rapid fire live presentation at the conference. This is your chance to showcase your ideas and share your knowledge with other passionate healthcare professionals. Whether you're embedded in acute care, public health, long-term care, ambulatory care, academia, or any other nursing domain, your perspective is invaluable.

>>Share your presentation idea by **July 31, 2024** by completing our [Rapid Fire Presenter Application](#) form and sharing:

- Your best practice or idea to address the staffing crisis and/or enhance the nursing work environment
- How your initiative aims to revolutionize and improve nursing practice
- Anticipated outcomes or achieved results (if available)
- Lessons learned from challenges or failures
- Opportunities for improvement and scalability
- Suggestions for implementation by other organizations

Nursing Updates

TONIGHT! Join Us for the NPGO Night Shift Committee Meeting

We hope to see many of you **tonight** from **02:00-03:00** in the Medical Center Board Room for the **July NSC meeting**.

[Click here](#) for meeting details, agenda and more. Light refreshments will be provided and a [WebEx link](#) is also available for team members to actively engage in the discussion.

Recognizing Night Shift – [Submit](#) your recent professional accomplishments - the NSC is excited to recognize you!

Nominate a Health Unit Coordinator | Deadline: Tonight, July 18, at 2359

Today is the **LAST DAY** left to recognize our Health Unit Coordinators' important role in showing kindness and empathy to our patients, their families, and each other. Read through the [criteria and eligibility requirements](#) and consider nominating one or more of your well-deserved peers for these honors.

NPGO Candidacy Opportunity

The NPGO Nominating Committee seeks candidates who meet the criteria for leadership positions in the NPGO. We know so many of you would be excellent in these roles! We are seeking candidates' names for the 2025 President-Elect and Nominating Committee members.

If you or someone you know is interested in serving in one of these roles in 2025, please complete our **Candidacy Application**. For more information about NPGO Officers, Nominating Committee process, or Elections, please visit our **Nomination's web page** on the NPGO website. You can contact any of the nominating committee members (**Mesha Jones**, **Lashanda Baker**, **Kelly Barnes**, **Rachel Brydge**, or **Alicia White**) if you have questions!

Clinical Career Ladder

- Please note – next advancement cycle is in August!
- Next **application** due date: August 5

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Clinician 4 | Off-Site Anesthesia
2024 NPGO President

Danita Massie, MSN, RN, CNL
Clinician 4 | Interventional Radiology
2024 NPGO President-Elect

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