

NPGO BLAST

September 5, 2024

UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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

Headlines:

Pain Assessment Survey - We Want To Hear From You!

Product Transition: Oral Care Kit Removal 9/5

Patient Influenza Vaccine Administration Resources

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

Champion Resources

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

Blast Question

What annual survey is about to come out, which will allow team members to select potential areas for engagement in the coming year outside of their Local Professional Governance?

Enter your answer [here](#).

One recipient will be selected randomly from the number of correct entries submitted to receive a swag bag hand-delivered by the NPGO Presidents.

Professional Development

Night Shifters - Become a Trained Respiratory Fit Tester

Consider becoming an approved night shift tester for your department. Employee Health, in partnership with the NPGO Night Shift Committee, is offering a special 2-day 1-hour class to help increase RTF accessibility to the night shift. >> [Click here](#) to learn more. Contact Employee Health for other offerings.

Opportunities for Growing Your Certification Toolkit

Virtual Networking Event for Certification Champions

Join us virtually on **Monday, September 23, 1200-1300 via WebEx** for an opportunity to connect with other certification champions. This will be a time to ask questions, share ideas, and brainstorm new strategies to grow your team's culture of certification. [Click here](#) for more information and to access the WebEx link.

Certification Champion Boot Camp | October 8, 0800-1000

Are you a new certification champion? Or a formal or informal leader that supports certification achievement in your department? Join us for the **Fall Boot Camp** to learn about the variety of resources available, calculate your certification rate and goal for FY25, and learn about best practices used by your colleagues to promote certification.

[Click here](#) to learn more and sign-up.

Registration is now open for the 2024 Annual NPGO Nursing Summit!

Join us for this nursing conference focused on *Creating a Legacy to Inspire*.

When: Thursday, November 14, 2024 | 0800 – 1600

Where: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Charlottesville | *Rotunda Ballroom*

Register: [Click this link](#) to register in Workday

For more details and a flyer, check out the Nursing Summit [website](#). Contact hours and lunch provided.

Exciting Opportunity: Free Access to the Virginia Nurses Association's Annual Legislative Summit!

We are thrilled to announce an exciting opportunity for all our dedicated nurses! Our organization has partnered with the Virginia Nurses Association to provide you with **free access** to their **annual Legislative Summit**. This exclusive offer allows you to access the live program on **September 26** and the on-demand content through March 31, 2025. We have partnered with the VNA to give the opportunity for all nurses to attend at no cost and earn up to 6.25 nursing contact hours while accessing important nursing advocacy information!

The Legislative Summit covers a range of critical topics, including:

- Insights from nursing lobbyists
- Virginia nurses' 2025 public policy priorities
- Conversations with Virginia legislators
- Opportunities to get involved with nursing advocacy
- Pressing challenges confronting the nursing and healthcare sectors
- Statewide implications of the November election

This is an invaluable chance to deepen your understanding of the healthcare landscape, engage with key policy issues, and enhance your advocacy skills. We encourage you to take full advantage of this program to stay informed and make a meaningful impact on the future of nursing in Virginia.

To access the content, [click here](#). Print and post [this flyer](#) to share!

Recognition

Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following clinicians who recently achieved advancement on the NPGO Nursing Clinical Career Ladder!

Advanced to Clinician 3

Lianna Coppola, 5 North/SIMU
Wesley Gass, Electrophysiology (EP) Lab
Briana Jacobs, NICU
Bryan Mayberry, Coronary Care Unit
Allison Ochoa, NICU
Andrea Penrod, 6 East
Sabrina Staten, STICU
Audrey Walker, Cardiac Transition Unit

Advanced to Clinician 4

Laurie Crookenden, Hyperbaric Medicine
Elizabeth Jones, Outpatient Surgery Center

Amy Jordan, BSN, RN PMGT-BC
Clinician 4 | Off-Site Anesthesia
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Danita Massie, MSN, RN, CNL
Clinician 4 | Interventional Radiology
2024 NPGO President-Elect

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