

NPGO BLAST

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UVA Nursing Practice Updates

Click here to read the full updates, and print & post for your practice area!

Headlines:

Reminder: Pain Assessment Survey - We Want To Hear From You!

Urine Culture Time Out Process: "Ticket to Test"

POCT Reaccreditation: Ensure Your Competency File Is Up to Date, including Color-Blindness Test!

Past editions are available on the **NPGO Practice News** website.

Champion Resources

Champion Resources & Weekly Updates **here**.

Blast Answer

Congratulations to last week's Blast winner: **Kris Blackstone**, Nurse Manager MICU!

Last week we asked the following: 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?

The Answer: The NPGO Call for Interest Survey

Nursing Updates

NPGO Call for Interest Survey is Open until October 3

We are in the planning phase of succession planning for the 2025 NPGO Central Committees. The goal is for all Regional Areas to be represented on our Central NPGO Committees. We have prepared the **2025 Call for Interest survey** for you to submit your name for consideration as we build next year's committees.

- Click **here** to learn more about each committee.
- We encourage you to discuss with your manager before you submit your name to confirm your anticipated time commitment.
- Please send any questions to **npgo@uvahealth.org**.
- Use this **link** to access the survey by **Thursday, October 3rd at 2359**.

Announcing our 2025 NPGO Officer Candidates!

On behalf of the NPGO Nominating Committee, we are excited to announce our slate of candidates for the 2024 NPGO Elections! Voting will open on October 3rd and the link to the electronic ballot will be shared in the NPGO Blast. All NPGO members are eligible to cast a vote by October 17th!

2025 President-Elect candidates:

- Clara Winfield, MSN, RN, CAPA, CNL | Clinician 4, OPSC Pre-Post

2025 Nominating Committee candidates:

- Mary Carrion, BSN, RN, CNOR | Clinician 3, OPSC-OR
- Katherine Craig, BSN, RN | RN Care Coordinator, Digestive Health Clinic
- Maketah Wyatt, BSN, RN | Case Manager 1, Case Management

Over the next several weeks, candidates and committee members will be visiting central Professional Governance meetings to promote awareness and answer questions. You may invite them to your local area by emailing NPGO@uvahealth.org.

Thank you to the members of this year's Nominating Committee: **Mesha Jones** (Chair), **LaShanda Baker**, **Kelly Barnes**, **Rachel Brydge**, **Alicia White**, and **Kirsten Gibson**.

Next Week | NPGO Night Shift Committee Meeting

Join us at the September Night Shift Committee meeting, **early Friday morning on September 20, 0200-0300** in the Medical Center Board Room. **Elizabeth Feola**, HR Rewards & Recognition, will join to gather ideas for the 2024 Fall Back Celebration event for night shift. Light refreshments will be provided.

- Night Shifters – **Use this survey** to share your recent achievements, such as new certifications, promotions, degrees and more, so we can celebrate you at the meeting!

Professional Development

"Following What Matters" 2024 Bice Lecture with Kenneth R. White, PhD, APRN-BC, FACHE, FADLN, FAAN

American Academy of Nursing immediate past president and dean emeritus of MGH Institute of Health Professions' School of Nursing Kenneth R. White will deliver UVA School of Nursing's annual Bice Lecture titled, "Following What Matters."

White's lecture, based in part on the "mattering" research of colleague and friend **Julie Haizlip**, will offer him a platform to share stories of nursing students and colleagues he's admired as well as his own personal and professional trajectory. Continuing education provided by UVA Health.

When: October 3

Time: 1200 – 1300

Place: Claude Moore Medical Education Building, room 3110

Join Ragen Chastain, MEd, BCPA, for a discussion on *Healthcare for Every Body – Caring for Higher Weight Patients*

When: October 16

Time: 1200 – 1300

Place: Pinn Hall Conference Center Auditorium

Use this [link](#) for more information

Recognition

Congratulations!

Amy Johnston, MSN, RN, CNRN, AGCNS-BC, Clinical Nurse Specialist, co-authored the ISMP article, **"Implementation of Smart Infusion Pump Interoperability in the ED"** which reflects interprofessional work to improve med safety within the ED.

Nicole Phillips, RN, Clinician 2, PICU, obtained her CCRN certification.

Meghan Schaefer, RN, Clinician 2, PICU, obtained her CCRN certification.

Amy Jordan, BSN, RN, PMGT-BC
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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