

NPGO BLAST

November 13, 2024

UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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

Headlines:

Patient Safety Moment: Reporting Critical Lab Values

Reminder: New Look for Inpatient Hemodialysis Catheters beginning 11/20

Meropenem (MERREM) Dispensing Change – Effective 11/14/2024

Updated Conservation Measures for IV Fluid Shortage

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

Champion Resources

Champion Resources & Weekly Updates **here**.

Blast Answer

Last week in honor of Veteran's Day, we asked team members to share about their military service. Thanks to those highlighted here who shared with us, and to all those who have served. Check out the Connect Stories from earlier this week to learn more.

Robert C. St.Pierre, BSN, RN Care Coordinator, Cardiovascular Surgery Center served in the U.S. Navy, Chief Hospital Corpsman for 24 years.

Sarah Critzer, RN Clin 3, Orthopedic Clinic OCIR was a Senior Airman Medical Service Specialist in the Air Force for 4 years.

Kimberly Washington, Medical Assistant, Urology Clinic Fontaine served in the Army as a Military Intelligence Analyst.

Wesley Gass, RN Clin 3, Cath Lab was an Armor Crewman M1A1 in the Army (2000-2004).

Camille Phillips, RN Care Coordinator, Cancer Clinics was an Air Force Nurse (August 1988 - May 1994) serving during the Gulf War.

Professional Development

Be a Mentee or Mentor! Enrollment extended!

Get support to achieve your professional development goals, network with UVA nurses, and further your leadership skills! **Sign up today** for one of the **seven nurse-created Mentorship programs**. Take the time and invest in yourself this spring! Enrollment extended until Monday, November 25.

>> **Click here** to learn more about the unique programs to see which one best supports your professional goals. **Print/post this flyer** to share with your team.

UVA Schwartz Center Rounds: 'Extending Grace'

Friday, Nov. 22 | noon-1 p.m. | Pinn Hall Conference Center Auditorium | [Register](#) | Team members will share stories about circumstances that have positively impacted their lives and the way they approach caregiving. Panel members: Jeanne Boatwright, Mark Dewey, and Halima Walker. Lunch provided to the first 60 people.

Nursing Updates

NPGO Night Shift Committee | No November Meeting

The November NPGO NSC meeting is cancelled, in support of the Fall-Back Celebration activities and the annual Nursing Summit internal conference. Be sure to mark the 0200 December 20th (Thursday night shift of 12/19) meeting on your calendars.

In the meantime, check out information on the [Champion Resources page](#) under “Night Shift Champion.”

Nominate Your Nurse Leader for a DAISY Award

We are delighted to announce that our DAISY Award Program is now accepting nominations for the **2024 DAISY Nurse Leader Award**. The DAISY Nurse Leader Award was created to shine a light on those who create an environment where compassionate, skillful care thrives. This award is open to any UVA Health University Medical Center Administrative Nurse Leader (Assistant Nurse Manager and above) that holds an active registered nursing license. Nominations must be a minimum of 300 words, and include specific examples to describe the professional character and performance of the Nurse Leader.

Please [click here](#) to nominate an extraordinary Nurse Leader! Nominations close **Sunday, November 24th at 2359pm**.

Participants are Needed for a Research Study on Nurse Mental Health and Workplace Factors

Researchers at Towson University are conducting a study to increase our understanding about the perspectives and experiences of nurses of color regarding mental health climate at work, including organizational norms, policies, and practices related to nurse resilience and mental health. Participation includes a 1-hour online interview via Zoom, and the participants receive a \$50 gift card as an appreciation for their time and contribution.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Dr. Ebru Cayir Burke at: ecayirburke@towson.edu or (571) 464 - 2729.

Important Resource for You, Your Patients, and Your Families

Did you know that the [Blue Ridge Poison Center](#) is a critical part of our UVA Health Emergency Services team? Stay up-to-date with their newsletters, [The Antidote](#) and [ToxTalks](#)! And be sure to check out these [common poisoning myths](#)!

Holiday raffle drawing! [Sign up](#) to join the BRPC’s newsletter mailing list. On January 10th five randomly selected team members will win a \$20 Amazon gift card!

Recognition

Congratulations!

Ashley Johnson, RN Clinician 2, Main Operating Room, obtained her CNOR certification.

Amy Jordan, BSN, RN, PMGT-BC
Clinician 4 | Off-Site Anesthesia
2024 NPGO President

Danita Massie, MSN, RN, CNL
Clinician 4 | Cardiac Transition Unit
2024 NPGO President-Elect

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