

# NPGO BLAST

January 30, 2025

## UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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

### Headlines:

Hydromorphone Injection Shortage

Changing Central Line Dressings in the Setting of Chlorhexidine Contraindication

Patient Safety Moment: Patient Identification, Part 3

IV Fluid Shortage Update

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

## Magnet Minute

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ANCC Magnet Recognition® is an honor reserved for organizations that demonstrate commitment to transformational leadership, structural empowerment, exemplary professional practice, and new knowledge and innovation. As a Magnet-recognized organization, UVA Health University Medical Center nurses achieve excellence in these areas by leveraging our Nursing Care Delivery Model of **Relationship-Based Care**, shown at the center of our Professional Practice Model.



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Provide one example of an improved patient outcome that aligns with a goal in the nursing strategic plan

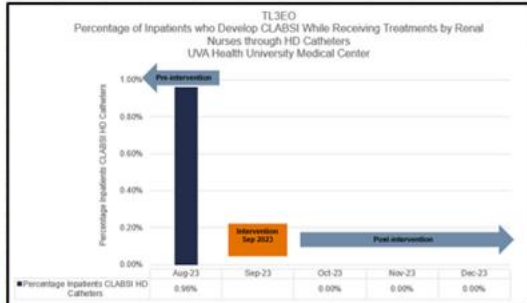
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## Renal Nurses Decrease CLABSI

Inpatient Renal Nurses sought to reduce CLABSI for admitted patients receiving treatments through HD catheters. The team identified opportunity to improve disinfection practices for HD catheter needleless connectors. They improved practice by counting out loud for 15 seconds while scrubbing needleless connectors.



As a result of their efforts, the percentage of admitted patients who developed CLABSI while receiving treatments by Renal Nurses through HD catheters was reduced from **0.96%** to **0%**. The team sustained **zero CLABSI** in this patient population for the remainder of calendar year 2023!



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## Professional Development

### Professional Board Certification Resources

**Virtual Networking Event for Certification Champions** | Tuesday, February 4, 1200-1300 via [WebEx](#). [Click here](#) to download a calendar planner.

### Are you ready for the 2025 Annual Nursing Certification Bonus?

Take a moment to confirm that your *active* Professional Board certification is *entered* and *verified* into Workday, the expiration date is correct, AND everything is approved by your manager. This must be completed by **Friday, February 28, 2025 at 2359** for the **\$500 Annual Certification Bonus**. Details and eligibility for the bonus are available [here](#).

### Heart Failure Symposium

Join your fellow nurses, APPs, and other caregivers of patients diagnosed with heart failure for a February 22 hybrid conference at UVA and via Zoom. [Click here](#) to register by February 16. The program offers 6 CE credits through UVA Health and UVA School of Nursing Continuing Education.

The day-long workshop will teach participants everything from understanding how inflammatory disease contributes to heart failure to how to use electrophysiology device management, and monitoring for awareness on heart failure and volume management.

## Nursing Updates

### Nursing Excellence Award Nominations are Open!

The 2025 **NPGO Nursing Excellence Awards** nomination cycle is open now until Thursday, February 27 at 2359.

Read through the **criteria and eligibility requirements** and consider nominating one or more of your well-deserved peers for these honors.

You may also **print this flier** to promote nominations in your practice area.

Here are the requirements for writing your nomination:

- Nominations must be at least 300 words.
- There must be at least one example per criterion to be considered.
- Make sure your nominee fits the eligibility requirements listed at the top of the page so the nomination isn't disqualified. You can check out the helpful eligibility grid by clicking [here](#).

**[Click here to submit a nomination.](#)**

## Clinical Ladder

The next offering of the "**Preparation for Advancement on the NPGO Clinical Career Ladder**" class will be February 12<sup>th</sup>. Applicants intending to apply for the March cycle must have completed this offering (or previous offering within past 12 months).

## Recognition

### Congratulations!

**Rosemary Walker**, RN Clinician 3, CDN, Lynchburg Dialysis, obtained her CDN certification.  
**Kristi Clark**, RN Clinician 2, UVA Vein Clinic, obtained her AMB-BC certification.

#### January BEE Award Recipients:

**Zay Foster**, Patient Companion, Staffing Resource Office  
**Jennifer Emanuel**, Social Worker- ED LCSW, Social Work

#### January DAISY Award Recipients:

**Kira Long**, Inpatient Charge Nurse, 3 Central  
**Wilmer Hernandez**, RN Clinician 1, 5 West

**Danita Massie**, MSN, RN, CNL  
Clinician 4 | Cardiac Transition Unit  
2025 NPGO President

**Clara Winfield**, MSN, RN, CAPA, CNL  
Clinician 4 | Outpatient Sgy. Ctr. (OPSC)  
2025 NPGO President-elect

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