

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:

Prevent HAPI through Regular Repositioning & Correct Wedge Use

Prevent Sharps Injuries & Report Them Immediately!

Patient Safety Moment: Hand Off of Care = Patient Safety

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

Champion Resources

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

Nursing Updates

Consider Applying for a 2026 NPGO Leadership Position

The NPGO Nominating Committee seeks candidates who meet the criteria for **leadership positions in the NPGO** and we know so many of you would be excellent in these roles! We are seeking candidates' names for the **2026 President-Elect and Nominating Committee**. For more information about NPGO Officers, Nominating Committee process, [Candidacy Application](#), or elections, please visit our [Nomination's webpage](#).

1 Day Remaining | HUC of the Year Nominations

There's still time - Don't miss the chance to recognize your Health Unit Coordinator!

- Criteria and eligibility requirements are available [here](#)
- [Click here](#) to submit a nomination by **Friday, August 1 at 2359**

Professional Development

Certification Resources, Champion Events, and More!

Interested in becoming certified? Explore [Getting Certified for the First Time](#) to find a step-by-step guide and the resources you need, including review materials, funding, the list of approved certifications, and more.

Certification Champions - Don't miss these informational and networking events hosted by the NPGO Professional Development Committee! [Click here](#) to learn more about the opportunities scheduled now through January 2026. [Download a flyer](#) and share!

Certification Champion Boot Camps | Take a deep dive through all the resources available to support you in your champion role. Get help with running your certification rate, goal setting, and coaching your team members towards their professional achievement.

Certification Champion Virtual Networking Events | Connect with other champions to share ideas and resources, recognition tools, and strategize together. **>>Next Networking Event is August 13, 1300-1400** – [click here](#) to download a calendar planner.

Certification Q&A Sessions | Have questions about becoming certified? Need help with finding the right resources? Drop-in to get your questions answered!

Relias Tutorial Coming Soon!

Interested in learning more about how to maximize your professional development with the Relias continuing education tool? Relias is hosting a tutorial for users on August 6th from 1345-1415.

>>Learner Topics Include:

- Adding license and certification
- Filtering for courses/ module library (including filtering by certification type)
- Reviewing your transcript
- Support Resources

Click to review the [Relias Tutorial Teams Link](#). Visit [Nursing Tools for Success - Nursing Center for Excellence](#) for more professional development opportunities.

Sign-ups Close TODAY | Fall RN Mentorship Programs

Today is the day! [Click here to register](#) for one of the fall cohorts of these uniquely tailored [Mentorship programs](#) for UVA Nurses or aspiring UVA Nurses!

- Clinician 1 Transition to Practice
- Experienced RNs
- Formal Nurse Leaders
- Night Shift Clinician Leaders
- RN Degrees Students (all levels)
- Self-Discovery for RNs
- Advanced Practice Providers

Only 12 days left to submit an application to the 2026 EBP Academy!

EBP Academy is an intensive 15-week immersive experience conducting an evidence-based practice project under the direction of the Office of Nursing Research. There are eight 8-hr in-person sessions of interactive and hands-on learning beginning in January and ending in April.

The Office of Nursing Research is excited to offer two participation options this coming year. Nurses can apply to sit in on the sessions (an EBP Project will be provided for in-class activities), or apply to do a fully guided EBP project.

[Apply here by August 8](#). Minimum requirements can be found on the [website](#).

Clinical Career Ladder

Request an Information Session for Your Team

Does your team have questions related to NPGO Clinical Career Ladder advancement? Unsure about investing the time to attend a prep class offering? Want to support your team's goals related to advancement?

We are offering brief (15 minutes or less) information sessions. Our Clinical Career Ladder chairs will come to you and your team! Invite them [by clicking here](#) and they will contact you to schedule a session.

Upcoming CCL Advancement Interviews Dates

Below are the remaining advancement interview dates for this calendar year. [Click here](#) for more details.

- August 20, 2025 (Application deadline 8/4/2025 @ 2359)
- September 17, 2025 (Application deadline 9/1/2025 @ 2359)
- October 15, 2025 (Application deadline 10/6/2025 @ 2359)
- November 19, 2025 (Application deadline 11/3/2025 @ 2359)

Recognition

Congratulations!

- **Teri Darnell**, RN Clinician 2, SRO, obtained her CCRN certification.
- **Charles Lim**, In-Patient Charge Nurse, Renal, obtained his CNN certification.

July DAISY and BEE Award Recipients

DAISY

- **Kevin Weyrick**, Charge Nurse- Inpatient, 3 West
- **Miriam Lopez**, RN Clinician 1, Labor & Delivery

BEE

- **Gemma Vasquez**, Patient Care Technician, 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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