

# NPGO BLAST

## September 18, 2025

### UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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

#### Headlines:

Patient Safety Moment: Point of Care Testing - Glucometer Quality Controls (QC) & Test Strips

ALERT: VaPro 14fr Intermittent Catheter Issues

Product Substitution Alert - BD Alaris PCA Microbore Tubing - Extra Component in Packaging

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

### Champion Resources

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

### Nursing Updates

#### Sign up now to get involved in Professional Governance in 2026!

Interested in getting involved in nursing professional governance at the central level in the upcoming year? The opportunity to sign up is **NOW!** NPGO Central Committees are looking for representatives from all practice settings for 2026. Express your interest in committee membership by completing the survey below – **only 1 week left** before it closes! For more information, use this [link](#) to explore the webpage.

Email [NPGO@uvahealth.org](mailto:NPGO@uvahealth.org) with questions.

- [Click here](#) to learn about each committee.
- Submit your name via the [Call for Interest Survey](#) by **September 25**.

#### Announcing our Fall 2025 Election Slate!

On behalf of the NPGO Nominating Committee, we are excited to announce our elections slate for the Fall 2025 NPGO Elections! Voting will open on October 9<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup>!

#### *WHAT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT?*

2026 President-Elect candidate:

- Megan Mundy, BSN, RN, CCRN | Clinician 4, MICU

NPGO Bylaws Amendments:

- NPGO Cabinet reviewed and approved several proposed amendments. A summary of proposed amendments will be posted on the NPGO website and shared via the NPGO Blast prior to the ballot opening.

#### *WHAT HAPPENED TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE CANDIDATES?*

This year the NPGO Nominating Committee recommended changes to strengthen the representation of this committee. The committee proposed piloting adding the Nominating Committee to the annual Call for Interest [survey](#) instead of seeking new members via the candidacy application process. NPGO members interested in serving on the Nominating Committee must still meet minimum eligibility

requirements as outlined in the NPGO Bylaws and are encouraged to complete the 2026 Call for Interest (**deadline** is September 25<sup>th</sup>!).

Over the next several weeks, the President-elect candidate, Nominating committee members, and NPGO leaders will be visiting central and regional Professional Governance meetings to promote awareness and answer questions. You may invite them to your local area by emailing [NPGO@uvahealth.org](mailto:NPGO@uvahealth.org).

Thank you to the members of this year's Nominating Committee:

- **Amy Jordan** (Chair) | CN 4, Off-site Anesthesia
- **Rachel Brydge** | CN 4, MICU
- **Amy G. Hunt** | CN 4, OPSC - OR
- **Alicia White** | CN 4, OPSC - Pre
- **Maketah Wyatt** | RN Case Manager 1, Case Management

## Professional Development

### Don't Miss Tonight's Night Shift Committee Meeting

We are excited to welcome everyone tonight from 0200 – 0300 in the Medical Center Board Room. We will have a live **Certification Q&A session!** Join us as we review the process and resources available to become certified or recertified.

- ❖ Meeting details [here](#).
- ❖ Enjoy light refreshments while you join us.
- ❖ Not onsite? Use this [Zoom link](#) to connect.

Your work matters! **Share** your accomplishments so the NSC can recognize and celebrate you.

### Virginia Nurses Association | 2025 Virtual Legislative Summit

UVA Health University Medical Center has partnered with the VNA to provide all our nurses **complimentary access** to this year's virtual Annual Legislative Summit. Earn nursing contact hours while learning how you can help shape health policy in Virginia.

The event will feature messages from **Virginia's gubernatorial candidates, Lieutenant Governor Winsome Earle-Sears and Representative Abigail Spanberger**. Topics include insights from nurse lobbyists and statewide implications of the November election.

**When:** September 25, 2025 | 0815-1700

**How to Access:** On September 25, [click this link](#) to access the conference live-stream. (Please note: the link will not work until the day of.)

**Details:** 7.5 contact hours available. The Summit will be available to view on-demand through March 31, 2026.

### 2025 NPGO Annual Nursing Summit | Registration is full!

*Elevate Your Professional Practice and Achieve Your Full Potential.* This year's theme centers around understanding and addressing **Imposter Syndrome** in ourselves and in each other. Our keynote speakers, **Alison Shamir** and **Rose Markey**, will challenge us and offer tools to help us reach our fullest potential as UVA nurses, while elevating our profession.

**When:** Thursday, November 20, 2025 | 0800 – 1630

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

**Registration:** [Click here](#) to join the waitlist in Workday as registration is now full.

*\*\*If you registered and are now unable to attend, please unenroll in Workday to open the space for our colleagues on the waitlist. Thank you! \*\**

For more information, explore the [event website](#). Click [here](#) to print and share the flyer.

# Clinical Career Ladder

## CCL Preparation Class

Upcoming course offerings for “**Preparation for Advancement on the NPGO Clinical Career Ladder**”:

- Wednesday 10/08/2025 | UH 4614 | 1330 – 1500
- Friday 10/24/2025 | Medical Center Board Room | 0100 – 0230\*\*  
*\*\*This is a special **night shift friendly** offering! Don't miss out on this opportunity supported by the NPGO Night Shift and Clinical Career Ladder Committees. Zoom option is also available but on-camera participation is required.\*\**

Enrollment via Workday is required for all course offerings - [Click here](#).

## Recognition

- **Lindsay Foster**, RN Clinician 2, 5th Floor Battle Building, obtained her Certified Pediatric Nurse certification.
- **Becca Hawkins**, RN Clinician 2, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Battle Building, obtained her Certified Pediatric Nurse certification.
- **Whitney Perdue**, RN Clinician 2, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Battle Building, obtained her Certified Pediatric Nurse certification.

**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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