

NPGO BLAST

December 11, 2025

UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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

Headlines:

Restraint Updates in Epic!

Patient Safety Moment: Communication and Language Services

Reminder: Changing or Removing Sutureless Securement Devices

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

Champion Resources

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

Clinical Career Ladder

Reminder: NPGO Clinical Career Ladder Advancement Preparation classes are held monthly (except December!) and enrollment is available in Workday. [Offerings](#) for 2026 are listed. Please contact NPGO@uvahealth.org with any questions.

Nursing Updates

DAISY Team Award | Call for Nominations

The DAISY Team Award is given once a year to a team of two or more individuals who are on a team led by a direct care nurse or group of nurses. These team members are role models of collaboration and teamwork that create a culture of trust, respect, and engagement through UVA Health values.

Nominations are open now until **Friday, December 26, at 2359**. Submit a nomination for two or more individuals [here](#) and learn more about the DAISY Team Award by visiting the [DAISY Foundation](#) website.

Nursing as a Profession: Proposal from the Department of Education

We are aware of the recent proposal from the Department of Education that would exclude nursing as a “professional degree” program. This would limit nurses’ ability to access funding for graduate education and would potentially devastate nursing education at all levels, nurse leadership, and advanced practice nurses. **This proposal is not final**, and our organization is considering how best to respond. In the meantime, we encourage you to engage with the ANA by [signing their petition](#) and [sharing your story](#).

You do not need to be a nurse to sign. Many other professional nursing organizations are taking action, as well, and we encourage you to use your professional organization as a resource.

NPGO Summit –2026 Committee Membership

Join the 2026 Summit Planning Committee! [Click here](#) to submit your name and contact information. If you noted your interest in the event feedback survey, please use this form to share your contact information with the chair.

Professional Development

Join Us Next Week! | NPGO Night Shift Committee Meeting

Mark your calendars! The next **Night Shift Committee meeting** will be held **Friday, December 19, from 0200 – 0300** in the **Medical Center Board Room**.

Areas of focus for this month's meeting include a Magnet Conference Update, LSLC Update on Night Shift BLS check-offs, and a Parking & Transportation follow-up.

Night Shifters and Rotators – Want to know more about our monthly meetings? Click [here](#) to sign up. [Use this short form](#) to share your recent achievements, such as new certifications, promotions, degrees, and more, so we can celebrate *you* at the meeting!

Pathways for Professional Growth | UVA Resources

[Click here](#) to explore a QR code resource flyer highlighting the wide variety of organizational resources available to support your personal and professional growth. Thank you to the NPGO Professional Development Committee for offering this tool.

Blast Question Winner

Last week's question: Nurses advocate for their patients every day and can play an important role in transforming healthcare for all. What initiative can UVA professional nurses participate in that supports professional advocacy to inspire and transform healthcare?

Congratulations **Jessica Gehin**, RN Care Coordinator, Heart Center, who was randomly selected as this month's Blast question winner! Correct answer: Nursing Advocacy Initiative (NAI)

Recognition

Congratulations!

- **Noah Cook**, RN Clinician 3, Emergency Department obtained his TCRN 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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