

NPGO BLAST

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UVA Nursing Practice Updates

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Headlines:

Vendor In-services: ENFit Cleaning Brush

Patient Safety Moment: 5 Rights of Medication Administration - Independent Double Check
Nursing Document Updates

Downtime ALERT: GE Central Stations for Patient Monitoring - Network Migration on 3/4

Last Week's Cardiac Rhythm Interpretation Challenge Answer & Raffle Winner

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.

NEW! Dedicated offerings for Manager training. [Offerings available for enrollment](#) in Workday.

3/31: 1500-1630

6/2: 1500-1630

9/24: 1500-1630

Nursing Updates

This Saturday is the Deadline | 2026 RN Certification Bonus

February 28 at 2359 is the deadline for the **\$500** Annual Certification Bonus. Details and eligibility for the bonus are available [here](#). Eligible RNs will receive the bonus in their March 20 paycheck.

Nominations Open for the Virginia Nurses Foundation 40 Under 40 Awards

The Virginia Nurses Foundation will honor rising nursing leaders at the annual VNF Gala in Fall 2026. Nominate an outstanding nurse who demonstrates achievements in professional practice, leadership, and impact. Award criteria, additional information, and a link to submit nominations can be found [here](#). The deadline to submit a nomination is **May 18, 2026**.

Professional Development

Become a NRP Resident Facilitator

Looking for a leadership opportunity in 2026? The Nurse Residency Program (NRP) is seeking Resident Facilitators to coach new Clin 1s in the residency program. Resident Facilitators are experienced nurses

who lead small group discussions focused on navigating the clinical environment with nurse residents practicing in similar clinical settings. The groups meet five times during the year-long program, creating an excellent opportunity for coaching, guidance, and support to new nurses. Interested? [Register in Workday](#) – workshops offer two CE's and are held at Northridge. The **next class is Wed., March 25, 0900–1100**. Questions? Contact [April Laughlin](#), NRP Coordinator.

Save The Date: 2026 VNA & VNF Virtual Spring Conference – Free for Nurses

Join us for this inspiring two-day virtual event designed to celebrate, empower, and elevate the nursing profession. The 2026 Spring Conference, *Embracing the Power of Nurses*, brings together the brightest minds and passionate leaders from across Virginia to explore how nurses are shaping the future of healthcare and redefining the public image of nursing. The virtual conference will be **live April 22-23**, and accessible on-demand through July 31, 2026.

We have partnered with the Virginia Nurses Association to provide the opportunity for all UVA Health University Medical Center nurses to attend the conference at **no cost**. Click [here](#) for more information. There is no need to register. You will be able to access the conference from your personal computer via a link that will be shared closer to the conference date.

2026 Annual Evidence-Based Practice Symposium

The **2026 EBP Symposium**, hosted by the Center of Nursing Excellence, will highlight emerging tools that streamline and accelerate the evidence-based practice (EBP) process. Contact hours will be provided.

Share this [flyer](#) with your coworkers!

When: Wednesday, May 6 – Two options to select from:

AM Session: 0800-1200

PM Session: 1300-1700

Where: The Wool Factory, located at 1837 Broadway Street, Charlottesville

Registration: Your registration is confirmed once you receive a calendar planner from NPGO.

[Nursing Evidence-Based Practice Symposium 2026 - AM Session](#)

[Nursing Evidence-Based Practice Symposium 2026 - PM Session](#)

Recognition

Congratulations!

- **Lauren Chewing**, Charge Nurse, 4 Central/4 North, obtained her CMSRN.
- **Tyler Hughes**, RN Care Coordinator, Urology Clinic, obtained his AMB-BC.
- **Sarah Borolo**, RN Clinician 2, 3 Central, obtained her CMSRN.

January DAISY Award Recipients

- **Anna Failes**, RN Clinician 2, Newborn ICU
- **Marie Carr**, RN Clinician 1, 5 North

January BEE Award Recipients

- **Erica Watts**, Patient Care Technician, Coronary Care Unit
- **Kylee Lambert**, Medical Assistant, Pantops Breast Clinic

Clara Winfield, MSN, RN, CAPA, CNL
Clinician 4 | Outpatient Sgy. Ctr. (OPSC)
2026 NPGO President

Megan Mundy, BSN, RN, CCRN
Inpatient Charge Nurse | Medical ICU
2026 NPGO President-elect

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