

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:

Pain Screening and Pain Assessment: What's the Difference?

New Epic-Integrated Patient Education Platform Goes Live Sept. 9th

Patient Safety Moment: Patient Education Documentation - Tell the Patient's Story

GE 12 Lead ECG Order Reminder

RECALL - CliniClean Pericare Wipes in BD Urinary Catheter Trays

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

Nursing Updates

NPGO Committee Call for Interest Survey is Open!

Interested in being a regional representative and voting member on a NPGO Central Committee in 2027?

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

For more information, use [this link](#) to explore the webpage. Email NPGO@uvahealth.org with questions.

National Health Unit Coordinator Week

Help us say thank you to all our HUC's during National Health Unit Coordinator Week August 23 – 29. The UVA Health University Medical Center **2026 HUC of the Year** will be announced during the week. For more information, [visit our website](#).

Professional Development

Evidence-Based Practice Bootcamp | Register Now!

We hope you will join us for the EBP Bootcamp! Registration is open in Workday. [Learn more here](#) and share this [flyer](#) with your colleagues to help spread the word!

- Session 1 | Thursday, October 8, 1300-1500
- Session 2 | Tuesday, November 3, 1300-1500
- Session 3 | Thursday, December 17, 1300-1500

Registration is open for the 2026 NPGO Annual Nursing Summit

Limited seats remaining, remember to sign up!

Feel More. Know More. Care Exceptionally.

Join us for the 2026 Nursing Summit as we explore what it means to bring humanity to the work we do every day in healthcare. Nursing is both an art and a science, requiring not only clinical expertise, but meaningful human connection. Together, we'll reflect on the relationships that shape our experience as nurses. We will discover how meaningful connections with colleagues and patients can foster belonging

and remind us that we were never meant to do this work alone. Through inspiring stories and engaging discussions, you'll leave with a fresh perspective and renewed purpose for the work ahead.

When: Wednesday, November 18 | 0930 – 1630

Where: The Virginia Guesthouse | 2017 Ivy Road, Charlottesville

Registration: [Click here](#) to register in Workday. Seats are limited, and registration is required. Your registration will be confirmed when you receive a calendar invite from NPGO.

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

Magnet Minute

Every day, our nurses demonstrate excellence in transformational leadership, structural empowerment, exemplary professional practice, and new knowledge and innovations. The Magnet® Minute features our extraordinary team members in a snapshot story, sharing how University Medical Center nurses often exceed the highest **Magnet®** standards. Have a Magnet® Minute to share? Let us know! [Submit your story!](#)

Magnet® Minute

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.



Multiple Magnet® standards incorporate nurse involvement, affiliation, and participation in professional organizations.



Submit your Magnet story!

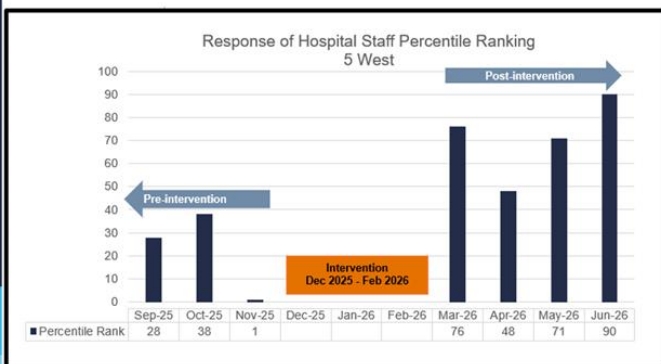
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Magnet Minute

Improving Call Bell Response on 5 West

Patient Experience feedback on 5 West identified opportunities to improve responsiveness to call bells and timeliness of addressing patient needs. The "Response of Hospital Staff" survey question performance was ranked at the lowest percentile in November 2025. Call bell response practices varied among staff, resulting in inconsistent times and unclear accountability for addressing patient needs. Contributing factors included difficulty hearing patients through the call bell system and staff responding to requests by saying they would arrive shortly to the room instead of delegating to colleagues.



The 5 West Team launched the Respond Initiative with a goal statement of "We will now consider Call Bell = "Come to bedside". If a patient uses the call bell to request help or ask a question, the HUC or another team member will go to the patient room to understand the request and delegate or escalate as needed. A goal was set to complete requests in <5 minutes. Observations for compliance aided team accountability. With these efforts, the team observed an improvement to the 90th percentile ranking for "Response of Hospital Staff" in June 2026!



Quick Links to Standing Items

- [Champion Resources and Updates.](#)
- Clinical Career Ladder [resources](#), [deadlines](#) and [training](#).
- [2026 Calendar of Events for Nurses](#)
- [UVA's Professional Growth Resources for You](#)

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