

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:

Flu Vaccine Ordering Reminders

Patient Safety Moment: Suicide Prevention Documentation Updates Effective 9/21

Pain Management: Evaluating Response to Treatment

Recognition for Pain Reassessment High Performers

Contacting CT via SecureChat

Archived Guidance Documents - Hydrotherapy Tub; Cardiac Electrodes

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

Nursing Updates

Last Chance! Be a Voting Member in 2027! NPGO Committee Call for Interest Survey

Interested in being a regional representative and voting member on a NPGO Central Committee beginning January 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.

NPGO Presidents Virtual Office Hours

Our next office hours will be **Thursday, October 1, 1100-1200**. We would love to hear from you with questions, thoughts, or requests for any support with your local professional governance.

[Join Zoom Meeting](#) | Meeting ID: 963 1442 0130 | Passcode: 53869417

Our Office Hours are hosted on the first Thursday of each month from 1100–1200.

Register Today | Free Livestream – 2026 ANCC Magnet® Conference General Sessions

Join in the experience via the four *free* general session livestreams of this year's [ANCC Magnet® Conference](#) held Oct. 29-31. Hear **from keynote speakers Riaz Meghji, Robin Roberts, and Jesse Israel**, be inspired by the exceptional work nurses are doing across the globe, and watch the celebration of Magnet® and Pathway to Excellence® designated organizations! We hope you take advantage of this special opportunity.

Registration closes Oct. 23. [Click here](#) to view the schedule and register today. Please note – session will be livestreamed in Central Time, as the conference is hosted in Chicago, IL. For tech support and viewing recommendations, please review [ANCC's FAQs](#).

Professional Development

One Week Left to Register | EBP Bootcamp

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

Have Questions About Becoming a Certified RN?

Drop by in-person or virtually to the [Certification Office Hours](#) to ask your questions or review the multiple resources available to support your professional achievement of becoming certified! The NPGO Professional Development Committee's Chair and Vice Chair will be available to help answer your questions and connect you with certification resources.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 1200-1230 | Medical Center Board Room and via [Zoom](#) (download a [calendar planner](#) to access the Zoom link)

Final Nurse Leader Development Cohort – Begins October 14!

The final cohort of our current Nurse Leader Development Program will begin October 14, 2026. This will be the last time the program is offered in its current format. Directors, nurse managers, assistant nurse managers, and charge nurses are welcome to be enrolled. Because this is the final cohort, participants will have one opportunity to make up a missed session with this cohort and remain eligible to receive contact hours. Interested? Please contact [Drew Gogian](#) to enroll in the next cohort!

PLEASE NOTE: For those who have make-up work remaining from previous cohorts and wish to receive contact hours, this will be the final opportunity to attend any missed sessions and complete those requirements.

Looking Ahead to 2027 | We are excited to transition to two new leadership development programs next year!

- A task force is currently working to update and enhance the Charge Nurse Program to better support both inpatient and ambulatory charge nurses.
- NPDS is developing a Nurse Leader Fellowship specifically designed for assistant nurse managers, nurse managers, and nurse directors.

We look forward to sharing more information about both programs as development continues!

Mark Your Calendars | 2026 Annual Healthcare Education Fair

Admissions Counselors from across the region will be on-site to talk about their healthcare programs, including nursing degree programs of all levels, pharmacy, radiology, health administration, and many more, including UVA's Earn While You Learn program. UVA's HR Education Benefits and Career Navigation Center will also be available to discuss steps to further or change your educational path, and how to use your benefits to support your educational goals.

When: Thursday, Oct 22, 1530 – 1830

Where: Main Hospital Cafeteria

Who: Anyone interested in or curious about going to school for a different role within healthcare or any level of nursing degree

Details: Light refreshments provided and a chance to win prizes

[Click here](#) for the website and flyer – be sure to invite a colleague or two to attend with you!

Recognition

Congratulations!

August BEE Award Recipients

- [Kimberly Williams](#), Physical Therapist Clin 3, Physical Therapy
- **Robert Holmes**, Patient Companion, Staffing Resource Office

August DAISY Award Recipients

- [Sarah-Kate Wittig](#), RN Clinician 2, 4 North
- [Ben Ellis](#), RN Clinician 2, 4 Central Medicine

2026 Health Unit Coordinator of the Year

- [Timothy R. Fitzgerald](#), 6 North

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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