



January 7, 2020

Pre-filled Medication Changes

Major changes to pre-filled medication syringes are now in the OR. [Click here for more information.](#)

-Justin Liberman, MD

Burn ERAS

Burn ERAS protocol went live last week. This protocol applies to inpatients having excision and grafting procedures. Burn surgery will consist the periop team for pre-operative blocks and post-operative pain management. You should see the banner pop up if your patient is on protocol, similar to other ERAS protocol patients. The protocol can be found on the CEBA website.

Please contact [Christina Hayhurst, MD](#), with any questions.

-Christina Hayhurst, MD, and Ryan Smith, MD

eStar Updates – Quality Capture Application (QCA) Now Mandatory

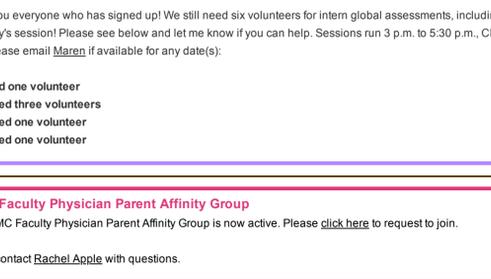
As announced at the December faculty meeting, starting Wednesday, Jan. 8, the current optional requirement to complete a Quality Capture Application (QCA) entry will become a **mandatory** part of closing an anesthetic record. These quality data are being periodically reviewed by our quality and safety team, led by Paul St. Jacques, MD.

-Jon Wanderer, MD

Electronic Grateful Patient Referral

Starting Wednesday, 1/8, you will be able to use the Quality Capture Application (QCA) to designate patients as possible grateful patients. If you check "Possible Grateful Patient", you will be confidentially notifying the VUMC Development Office that this patient may have had an impactful or uniquely meaningful perioperative experience. The Development Office may follow up with the patient.

-Jon Wanderer, MD



Reminder: CDA Applications

The CDA applications, emailed on Jan. 2, are due by **Thursday, Jan. 23**, along with an **updated CV** to AnesthesiologyFacultyAffairs@vumc.org. FAQs are available on the Department webpage under "Intranet". The Department Office of Faculty Affairs is available for assistance.

Still Needing Attending Coverage for Intern Assessments

Thank you everyone who has signed up! We still need six volunteers for intern global assessments, including this Thursday's session! Please see below and let me know if you can help. Sessions run 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., CELA 4th floor. Please email [Maren](#) if available for any date(s):

1/8: need one volunteer

1/30: need three volunteers

2/20: need one volunteer

2/27: need one volunteer

VUMC Faculty Physician Parent Affinity Group

The VUMC Faculty Physician Parent Affinity Group is now active. Please [click here](#) to request to join.

Please contact [Rachel Apple](#) with questions.

Equipment Costs

We are spending on average \$143,000 per year on repair costs for our equipment. This dollar amount reflects repairs that are above and beyond what our manufacturer service contracts cover.

Due to these escalating repair costs for endoscopy/video scopes, a QA of airway equipment (Storz, Olympus, McGrath Mac, AMBU VivaSight) will now require a joint check of equipment between the anesthesia provider and the anesthesia tech prior to and immediately following use of these items. The goal is to reduce damage to the equipment thereby eliminating down time for costly repairs which will increase the availability of equipment when needed. This process will be implemented throughout the entire periop arena, and is not limited to just the anesthesia department.

-Sue Christian, Brent Dunworth, Mark Rice, & Merrick Miles

Attention Faculty & Staff: tPA Administration

The Joint Commission visit of our stroke program was completed in November. We had one citation for not flushing the line in which tPA was administered. Please flush the line with 50 ml of N-saline after the administration is complete and **document it**.

[Click here](#) for information on how to administer tPA.

-Letha Mathews, MBBS

Update for January 2020 Faculty & All-Staff Meetings

The faculty meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020, at 6:30 a.m. Please note the meeting location has changed to Light Hall 208.

The All-Staff Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020, has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2020.

Summer Student Research Projects

It's time to start planning for 2020 summer students. Please consider assigning students to ongoing projects. However, if you do have a research project in mind that would be suitable for a summer student, please submit the project to PCRI by **Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020**. Submission link: <http://j.mp/2CKx8p3>.

-PCRI Team

SurveyVitals - Scores and Alerts

[Click here](#) to view scores and alerts in SurveyVitals.

Contact [Harrison Johnson](#) if you have any questions or trouble logging in.



Grand Rounds

January 10 | 6:30 a.m. | 208 Light Hall

"Health System Strengthening Through Anesthesia in Low-Resource Settings"

Visiting Professor Seminar

January 9 | 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. | 2301-A VUH

"Anesthesia in the Low-Resource Hospital Setting"

Presented by
John B. Sampson, MD
Associate Professor
Department of Anesthesiology & Critical Care Medicine
Director, Global Alliance of Perioperative Medicine
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
Baltimore, Maryland

All are invited. [Read more](#)

Additional CME Opportunities

[Click here](#) to view the Spring 2020 Flexner Discovery Lecture Series schedule.

Anesthesiology Education Conference Schedule

[Click here](#) to view the most recent Turnout calendar for the 2019 academic year.

Grand Rounds and Visiting Professor Seminars

[Click here](#) to view the most recent conference schedule for the 2020 academic year.



Employee Recognition: GEMs (Going the Extra Mile)

We want to recognize good work when we see it and encourage our colleagues to recommend our next GEM. Do you know someone who has made your day brighter or easier? Someone who has gone above and beyond? Please let us know the details so that we can recognize that person for a job well done.

Please [click here](#) to submit a GEM recommendation.

Coming Soon!
Free for Lunch?
Join us at the Free for Lunch?(FFL) community table each Friday at noon in the VUH Physicians' Dining Room.
Starting January 10th, connect with your physician colleagues at the FFL community table. Each week a physician host will be available with a warm welcome and conversation.
Given the nature of clinical and hospital work, grabbing a quick lunch and eating alone often becomes the routine. The FFL community table provides an opportunity for physicians to sit down and eat with other physicians who happen to be free for lunch at the same time!
*Feel free to bring your own lunch or pick up a bite to eat in the cafeteria on your way in.
Join us Friday, January 10th (and every Friday through March 27th)
12:00 pm—1:00 pm
VUH Physicians' Dining Room (in the Courtyard Cafe)

[Click here](#) to view full flyer.

EDUCATOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM & DINNER
Please join us for an evening of learning and discussion
"Feedback as Coaching: How to Guide Resident Development"
Michael Sullivan, MD, FRCP
Department of Anesthesiology
Southlake Regional Health Centre
Newmarket, Ontario
January 23, 2020 at 5:30 pm
Light Hall 214
Please RSVP by clicking the link below
<http://j.mp/2RMoPSu>

[Click here](#) to view full flyer.

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PRIZES RECOGNIZE STAFF PERFORMANCE
Special Prizes Awarded!
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Compassionate | Creative | Committed | Collaborative
Recognize a Staff Colleague!
NOMINATE A STAFF MEMBER
Watch the Weekly Update for your opportunity to submit a nomination!

[Click here](#) to nominate a colleague!

SAVE THE DATE
May 1, 2020
VANDERBILT INTERNATIONAL ANESTHESIA
10th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF GIVING, GROWTH & GRATITUDE
DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Stay Connected



We want to hear from you!

Send your news, awards, and accomplishments - to be shared in faculty and staff meetings, *Weekly Update*, newsletters, and social media - to Anesthesiology.Communications.



Happy Birthday!

[Click here](#) to view our January Birthdays.

New Hires: Faculty



Sarah Thomas, MD
Multispecialty Adult Anesthesiology

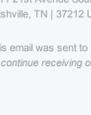
New Hires: Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists



Kellie Deffendall



Penny Green



Tricia Oliver



Susan Santangelo

Department Achievements

This semester, the Faculty Affiliate Advisor (FAA) to be recognized by the **Candle Award** from Robinson College is **Lane Crawford, MD!** Please join us in congratulating Crawford, whom students have described as being a pillar in the Robinson community and a dedicated participant in a variety of Robinson College events. Crawford will be honored with a Candle Award pin and will be recognized at Anesthesiology Grand Rounds.

Press Coverage and Publications

[Recent Publications](#)

Tweet of the Week

VUMC Anesthesiology @VUMC_Anest Follow
Lane Crawford, MD, was awarded the Candle Award from Robinson College. The Candle Award is intended to recognize the Faculty Affiliate Advisor who most strongly demonstrates leadership, mentorship, and accessibility. @VUMCHealth #mentorship #Leadership #accessibility

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