

## The Seidman Scoop

August 2023

### 2023 RN License Renewal

License Renewal started on **July 1st** for RNs and APRNs and continues through October 31st, 2023.

**The early bird renewal period** runs through September 15, 2023. If you renew on or before September 15th, you pay your standard renewal fee and \$3.50 state transaction fee.

**If you miss the early bird renewal deadline**, you still have until October 31, 2023 to renew your license, but there is a \$50 late processing fee and the \$3.50 state transaction fee. The late processing fee applies between September 16 and October 31. (If do not renew your license by October 31, your license will lapse on November 1, 2023.



[Click Here to be Directed to the Ohio eLicense Website](#)

## Law Contact Hour for Renewal

Register in GPS for your required contact hour in law for your license renewal.

- Search Category A in the GPS search box
- find the title "Legal Adventures in Nursing" and register!

## Legal Adventures in Nursing

[GPS Link](#)

## EPIC Critical and High Impact Change

With go live for Epic approaching, there will be changes to day to day workflows for staff. The changes have been identified as either [critical impact changes](#) and [high impact changes](#)

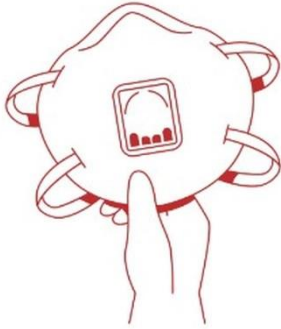
If you would like to view the changes for either before you attend your classes, please click on the hyper link to be directed to the UH website for both.



## EPIC Training

Please make sure that you complete your online modules before you attend your sessions. If you have any questions regarding EPIC training please reach out to [Epic.education@uhhospitals.org](mailto:Epic.education@uhhospitals.org) or you can visit [Epic Education](#)

## FIT Testing is Back!



- The pause on annual FIT testing has ended and we must have updated FIT testing.
- Employee health has set up a blitz over the next two months. **Find the calendars for August and September with locations attached to this newsletter.**
- No appointment is needed

Please remember:

- Do not drink anything or chew gum 15 minutes prior to your testing
- If you have facial hair, it must be shaved to test
- If you do not pass the FIT testing or you wear a different size mask you will be referred to go to employee health at your convenience

You can check your FIT testing expiration [here](#)

- Staff that **do not** need to attend are new hires hired after January 2023
- Staff that **do need** to attend are all staff that have transferred into a new position in 2023 and did not go to employee health to get your updated FIT testing completed
- Staff that **do need** to attend are all staff that's FIT testing expires before December 31st, 2023

**We have to have 100% compliance with updated FIT testing prior to our DNV survey schedule**

If you would like further information please [click here](#) to be directed to the FIT testing page with employee health

Know someone who you would like to nominate for one of the following awards?

The **UH Distinguished Nurse award** was established to recognize direct care nurses who distinguish themselves in their knowledge, compassionate care, professional development, teamwork, teaching and service to the nursing profession.

The **UH Nurse Leader award** was established to recognize outstanding nurse leaders at UH that exemplify the UH Leadership promise to inspire, innovate, and achieve

**Submissions are due by August 15th, 2023**

[Submit an online nomination](#)

## ENFit Conversion for Enteral Feeding

Please see the attached PDF for more information in regards to changes you will see or have already seen on the units for our tube feeding connectors. We are now using the ENFit connector.

### What is Changing?

- All Enteral Feeding Tubes
- Enteral Feeding Administration Sets
- Syringes Used for Enteral Feeding/Medication Administration

From Legacy Device:



To ENFit® System:



## Research Symposium



## Save the Date for the Fourth Annual Nursing Research and Innovation Conference

Reinventing Effective Nursing Teams and Teamness through the Lens of Appreciative Inquiry

October 27, 2023 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Virtual Conference

[Print & Share Flyer](#)

### Zero Harm



### Compliance and Ethics Training

It is that time of year again. Please make sure to log into your GPS to complete your **2023 UH Employee Annual Training**.

**Due date is September 15th, 2023**

## Omnicell Return Bin

### Omnicell External Returns Bins

- ONLY **unopened and intact items** can be returned. Follow typical waste practice for partial and opened items.
- **A witness will be required to return the unopened controlled substances.**
- Access to the return bin is ONLY available through Omnicell "Return Meds" tab.
- By default, only items **YOU** have removed from Omnicell will populate the Return list; Use the "All Meds" option to view items removed by other users.

After selecting your patient, select Return Meds from the Patient Care menu.

Select the item from the Meds Eligible for Return list. The quantity to return will auto populate, select OK. Repeat if returning more than one item. After all items are queued, select Return Now.

The return bin should unlock; open the bin, place item(s) to return into hopper, close bin. **A witness will be required to return controlled substances.** A return reason may be required.

[Click here](#) to watch a short video on medication safety



## Monthly In-Service Opportunity

# TAKE ONE AND PASS IT ON ONCOLOGY NURSING EDUCATION

Join us for roaming monthly in service opportunities on topics related to nursing in oncology.

### **Aug 21: Understanding Clinical Trials**

click the link below to attend at 1600 if you missed the in-service and would like to attend

## Join Zoom Meeting

+1 646 518 9805 or +1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID:

939 4848 7781

Password:

123509

Have an idea for a topic? Either scan the QR code with your phone or click the button below to give us your suggestions



[Click Here](#)

## Blood Gases

# NURSING Matters

## UH CMC: Blood Gases Now Sent To Core Lab

### What

- Blood Bank will no longer be performing blood gas testing
- Blood gases will now be sent to the Core Lab

### Who

Caregivers sending blood gases at the UH Cleveland Campus including Lakeside, Lerner Tower, Seidman, Rainbow, Mac House, Hanna House, and Bolwell

### Why

Secondary to a Blood Bank / Core Lab procedure change

### When

Beginning on July 10, 2023

### How

- Blood gas samples will either be tubed to Core Lab or walked over to the Core Lab (Humphrey 5355) ***within 20 minutes of collection.***
  - Core Lab tube stations are #290, 350, 450, or 550
- ICU areas with a GEM machine will still analyze samples on their unit.
- **DO NOT** send the blood gas samples on ice!

### Highlights

Beginning on July 10, 2023 blood gases will no longer be ran by the Blood Bank

- Samples will be sent to Core Lab (**#290, 350, 450, or 550**)
- ICU areas will continue to analyze their blood gases locally on the GEM machine

### Questions

Contact Core Lab for more information at 216-844-3925



**UHNurses:**  
Empower. Advance. Succeed.  
The Core Lab is a Service Line


Department Created by: Nursing Education.  
Date: 06/28/2023



## Change in Skin Care Products



# NURSING Matters

## System-Wide Change in Skin Care Products

<b>What</b> Bathwash and Lotion changing to Coloplast Products Adult and Pediatric Population	<b>Who</b> Nurses and UAP's
<b>Why</b> Change in supplier	<b>When</b> Products will start to be distributed on floors the last 2 weeks in July 2023
<b>How</b> The new Coloplast products: Gentle Rain Gentle Cleanser and Sween Lotion will replace current product. 	
<b>Highlights</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Gentle Rain is used like a body wash- simply put it on the washcloth and wash.</li><li>✓ You must rinse off product.</li><li>✓ Sween Lotion is much thicker – a little goes a long way!</li><li>✓ CHG compatible</li><li>✓ pH balanced</li></ul>	
<b>Questions</b> Contact Wound Care Nurse	

  Date: 07/19/2023

## Essential Insulin Information



As nurses, we are required to administer insulin to our patients based on the provider's order. It is important to know when to either give or not give insulin and when it is required to call the provider with any questions. [Click here](#) to view more information regarding insulin.

## Certification- Save the Date!!

Looking to get certified or need to renew your certification? Check out [NP-48](#) policy on details for reimbursement. Also check out the [Nursing Certification](#) page under Nursing Portal for certification FAQs!

If you have any questions please reach out to one of your educators!

If you are looking for a review course for either your OCN or BMTCN certification, please refer to the information below. Registration information to follow.

**UCDAVIS  
HEALTH**

**OCN & BMTCN  
EXAM REVIEW COURSE  
August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>**

**SAVE THE DATE (VIRTUAL):**

- **OCN** 2-days (Wed-Thurs) Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>
- **BMTCN** 1-day (Friday) Aug 25<sup>th</sup>
- Virtually moderated by:  
**UC Davis Health**
- Webinar host:  
MED-ED (mededseminars.net)
  
- Registration details to follow....



Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation

Oncology Certified Nurse (OCN®)

Blood & Marrow Transplant Certified Nurse (BMTCN®)

**The Galveston Bay Area ONS in Collaboration with Daaron Foundation  
Presents OCN® Review Course**

When: Saturday, November 11th, 2023 from 0730-1700 CST



**Early Registration:** \$100

(register by Oct. 23rd, 2023)

**Regular Registration:** \$125

(all registration will close on November 8th, 2023)

Click [here](#) to register or scan the QR code to register

**Speakers/Faculty:** Gail Kwarciany MSN APRN  
OCN® AOCNS Roselyn Ogunkunle Ph.D. MSN  
RN NEA-BC OCN

**Changes to Fentanyl PCA Usage**

Usage of fentanyl PCA has recently been expanded to the following settings and providers:

	Current Norms	In addition to the current norms
Patients	End-of-life	<b>NEW:</b> Cancer Pain Management
Settings	ICUs	<b>NEW:</b> All floors
Ordering providers	Anesthesia, Palliative Care, ICU	<b>NEW:</b> Oncology, BMT, ENT

### Benefits

- Shorter-acting and less likely to cause dose stacking compared to hydromorphone and morphine
- Provides an additional option for pain management for patients with renal dysfunction or who have intolerances to hydromorphone and morphine
- Ideal for Fentanyl TD dose-finding for patients with PEG tube/feeding tube who need long-acting pain options
- Safer transition from PCA to long-acting transdermal patch: Fentanyl PCA basal rate directly translates to Fentanyl TD (for example 50mcg/h basal rate=50 mcg/h transdermal patch).

### Cancer patients to consider for Fentanyl PCA

- Chemotherapy-related, radiation related mucositis
- Renal dysfunction/failure
- ENT patients/patients with feeding tubes who need long-acting pain management options
- Acute pain and intolerance to hydromorphone or morphine

# Professional Pathway to Advancement for RNs

## Steps on How to Maintain or Promote to RN Level II and Level III



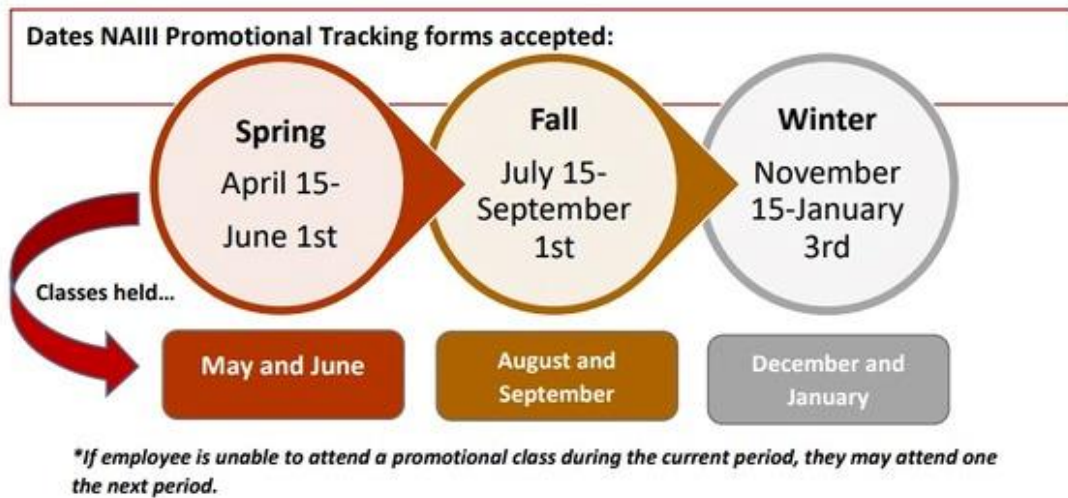
**Portfolio's are due by August 15th**

Please refer to the [nursing portal](#) for any other information regarding professional advancement

### NA II Promotion

Our next NA III promotional period is here! If you have any NA IIs interested in promoting please reach out to the education team for more information or you can find more information on the nursing portal.

**Nursing Portal**



## Patient Education

Each unit will now have a designated Ipad for patient education videos. Please ask your manager where the Ipad is stored and charged.

### The ipads have links to these videos:

1. Lovenox – how to give an injection
2. Pleurx drain
3. How to prevent falls
4. Trach care - stoma and trach tube cleaning
5. IV chemo class

For the trach care and IV chemo class videos, the user will be prompted to enter some basic demographic information so that we can track video views.



### **Need patient education material?**

Patient education can be found on our UH Seidman Cancer Center DWP. Resources include patient information sheets that range from nutrition, treatment side effects, and self-care. Click on the button below and bookmark it for future use!

[Patient Education](#)

You can also use Lexicomp for patient education handouts about medications, medical conditions, and tests that can be printed and given to patients.

Lexicomp®

[Click Here to Access Lexicomp](#)

For a patient receiving a REMS drug, the patient education materials need to be pulled from the FDA site-per UH policy MM-12

[FDA Website](#)

### **Patient Information Sheets**

If you are looking for patient information (PI) sheets, please refer to the [SCC Patient Education Page](#)

**Can't find what you need?** Contact Regina Carlisle, Sr. Cancer Information Nurse, or talk to your area's nurse educator

### **Ambulatory Clinical Practice Points**

- **RQI-P-Go station** now at Minoff and Avon ! These stations allow staff to complete BLS skill with a portable computer and mannequin.
- [Practice Tools](#) can be found on the SCC DWP. This is periodically updated and a great resource for practice guidelines.

## Reminders!!

**Commission on Cancer!** no modules are due for this quarter

**RQI!** The carts are currently located on SCC 4 and SCC 5 in the “closed” family room. Both carts are in working order. Reach out if you are having trouble. If you have any questions please contact Zaneta/Becky to assist you.

**First Responder 2.0!** Learn information and techniques on early deterioration and prevention of patient deterioration/code blue. Remember you can earn 2 contact hours! Register today in GPS! Offered monthly See [2023 dates](#) here!

**Telemetry Refresher!** Learn to better identify potentially dangerous and lethal arrhythmias, assess the patient for stability, and initiate the proper intervention. Remember you can earn 3.5 contact hours! Register today in GPS!

**The Art and Science of De-Escalation.** Learn more about anxiety, personal space, safety measures, communication, debriefing, & compassion fatigue while you earn 1 free CNE! Register in GPS today.

**Quarter 3 OLM and RQI: Due September 30th, 2023**

**Our Vision: Advancing the Science of Health and the Art of Compassion**

**Inpatient: Becky Jones, RN and Zaneta Juskowiak, RN**  
**Ambulatory: Ruth Cocirteu, RN**  
Seidman Cancer Center Clinical Educators