

The Nurses' Station

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Barbara's Bulletin

Dear all,

It would be hard to say anything more than congratulations to every one of you for being a part of our Magnet Redesignation. You are a very special group of nurses and should be so proud of the tremendous work that is demonstrated by our Magnet document.

I want to share a photo of some flowers I received that were sent not just to me but to all of you from someone many of you know and who first put AAMC on its path to Magnet.



My best to all of you and thank you for all you do,

Barbara



October 22, 2019 marks another day in our organization's history - the day we earned Magnet Re-designation as part of the American Nurses Credentialing Center's (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program®.

The ANCC Magnet Recognition Program® distinguishes health care organizations that meet rigorous standards for nursing excellence. While this credential is the highest national honor for professional nursing practice, achieving Magnet reflects a commitment to excellence demonstrated by everyone who works here, not just nurses.

Receiving Magnet recognition for the second time is a great achievement for AAMC, as we proudly continue to be a part of the global community of Magnet recognized organizations. Just over 500 U.S. health care organizations (out of over 6,300 U.S. hospitals) and a handful of hospitals abroad have achieved Magnet recognition.

What's next? We celebrate! In the coming weeks, we will continue to celebrate this accomplishment together. Next October, AAMC will be formally recognized at the 2020 ANCC National Magnet Conference in Atlanta.

[Click here to watch the moment when we learned about the good news!](#)



Here's your chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card.

After you have finished reading this issue of The Nurses' Station, click the button below to answer five questions about what you just read.

One entry per person. All correct submissions will be entered for a chance to win a \$25 Amazon gift card. This contest will close on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 11:59pm EST.

Having issues? Contact [Nikki Ocloo](#)

[I'm Feeling Lucky!](#)



Exemplary Professional Practice



Call for Abstracts

We have done great work this year in advancing our nursing outcomes through quality and performance improvement projects, as well as research studies. Let's make sure our work is showcased at the 2020 Quality Improvement Showcase Event that will be held on **Monday, March 9, 2020**, kicking off Patient Safety Awareness Week.

Important Dates to Remember:

November 8, 2019 - Abstract submissions for podium presentations and award finalist

January 20, 2020 – Abstract submissions for poster presentations

Key Points to Remember:

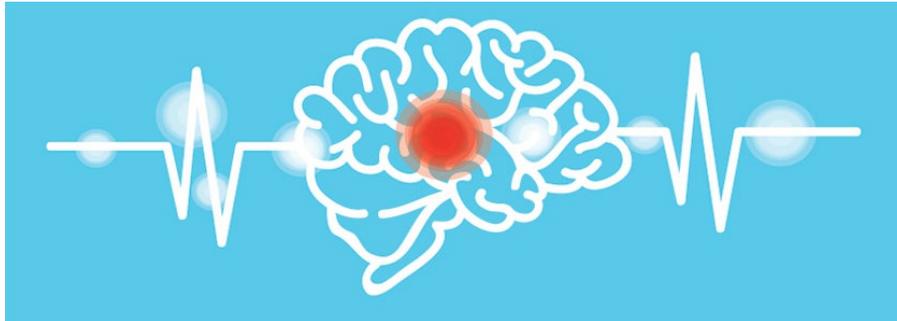
- Projects or studies must have been conducted after February 2018.
- Only completed projects will be accepted.
- Projects that have already been submitted at previous Quality Improvement Showcase Events will not be accepted.
- All poster abstracts are accepted as long as they meet the criteria above.
- An award is given to one abstract in each category "quality improvement, performance improvement, research, and student/graduate Medical Education.
- **To be considered for an award abstract must be submitted by November 8, 2019.**

To read the guidelines and submit your abstract online, click [here](#).

For additional questions or assistance, contact [Cathaleen Ley](#).



Structural Empowerment



Stroke/STEMI Conference

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) states that every 40 seconds someone in the United States has a stroke and is the leading cause of long-term disability.

AAMC is hosting its annual Stroke/STEMI conference to review the stroke care process and management of cardiac emergencies. Join us to see how you can save a life!

Date: Monday, December 9, 2019

Time: 7am - 12pm

Location: Belcher Pavilion - 7th Floor

Cost: Free

To register for the event, click [here](#).



New Knowledge & Improvements

Bedside Shift Report Tool

Over the past few months, the bedside shift report tool in EPIC has made changes to improve how nurses hand off care of our patients.

To better improve bedside shift report, we want your feedback. Take a few minutes to complete this short survey:



[Bedside Shift Report Tool - Feedback Survey](#)

For more information about the Bedside Shift Report Tool, see your unit's EPIC superuser.



Patient-and-Family Centered Care



Now recruiting! Patient Family Advisors

AAMC's Patient Family Advisor (PFA) program is always recruiting. Our former patients and their families/friends make up a large percentage of our PFA group – their unique perspective is invaluable.

Pat Clesh, a patient family advisor, has written several posts for our nursing blog and recently shared her experiences with our monthly bioethics forum. Click [here](#) to read her latest post.

Here are some of Pat's top blog stories:

- [Breast cancer and the "silver lining" - a Patient Family Advisor's perspective](#)
- ["Port or no port? I want to decide." A patient shares about the importance of being a participant in her healthcare decisions](#)
- ["Nothing about us, without us": How AAMC collaborates with Patient Family Advisors](#)

Do you know someone who might be interested in serving as a Patient Family Advisor? Please contact [Monica Mewshaw](#)

Ripples - AAMC's Patient Family Advisor Newsletter

Here's what you need to know-n-go

- Starting **Tuesday, October 29, 2019**, paper prescription printing will go live. For more information about this change, see your unit educator.
- Flu season is upon us! Do not forget to get your flu vaccine before **Tuesday, November 19, 2019**. Click [here](#) to view the flu clinic schedule. *If you received your vaccine elsewhere, be sure to send a copy to HR before Tuesday, November 5, 2019.*
- Project Advance Applications are now open, the deadline to apply is **Monday, December 14, 2019**. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Human Resources will be moving their office soon, stayed tuned to find out where they are moving!

Nursing Events

- CNA Clinical Ladder Board Review 10/30/2019
- Let's Talk Equity 10/31/2019
- RN Clinical Ladder Board Review 11/8/2019

- Crucial Conversations 11/11/2019
- Professional Power Hour 11/14/2019
- Journal Club 11/18/2019
- Bioethics Forum 11/21/2019
- Lunch and Learn: You Think You Know Teamwork? 11/21/2019
- RN Clinical Ladder Board Review 11/22/2019
- Phlebotomy Class 12/5/2019
- Stroke/STEMI Conference 12/9/2019

To view more upcoming events, [click here](#)

the Cart

together rounding

The Nursing Communications Initiative Coffee Cart will be visiting the 1st - 2nd floors of the Hospital Pavilion and the Outpatient Pavilions on **Wednesday, November 6, 2019 from 1pm - 3pm.**

If you are interested in joining the nursing communications initiative committee or want to share your news on the Cart, please contact [Anita Smith](#)

On the Nursing Blog

- [Professional Development Day 2019 - Recap](#)
- [RN to PCT Shift Communication](#)
- [Laughter is the best medicine: Sharing a smile with a Patient Family Advisor](#)

Read past issues of [The Nurses' Station](#) on the Nursing Blog.

Let us know how we did.
What did you think of this issue?



To have your news or shout outs shared on The Nurses' Station, please contact [Nikki Ocloo](#).
